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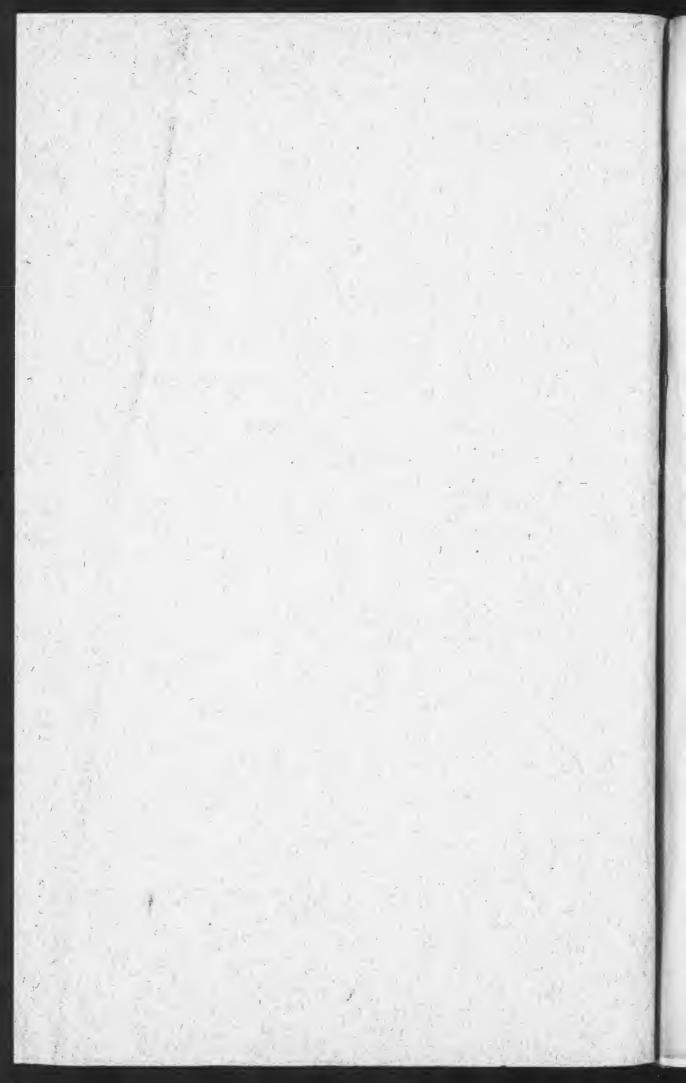
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176 W. W. Strayer 187 J. L. Mills	1858	3 1860	363	A. S. Beane	1893	3 189
187 J. L. Mills	1860	1862	364	G. J. Hill	1894	1189
194 J. W. Gray	1863	1865	369	F. S. Cain	1895	189
215 J. M. Holmes	186	1867	370	H. L. Schlincke	1895	189
220 A. W. Mather	1866	1868	371	C. E. Dryden	1895	189
241 F. T. Tagg	1870	1871	372	H. O. Keen	1895	189
248 J. G. Sullivan	1871	1873	373	G. A. Morris	1895	189
252 F. T. Little	1872	1873	376	A. N. Ward	1895	189
255 T. O. Crouse	1879	1874	378	J. F. Bryan	1896	189
260 G F Farring	1873	1876	379	N O Gibson	1896	189
261 F H Mullineaux	1873	11876	380	F A Holland	1896	189
265 G Q Bacchus	1874	11877	381	E D Stone	1896	189
270 J. M. Sheridan	1875	1877	382	G H Stocksdale	11896	189
277 T. H. Lewis 278 J. W. Trout 285 D. W. Anstine	1876	1876	381	W A Melvin	1897	180
278 I W Trout	1876	1870	388	E T Road	1897	1890
285 D W Anstine	1970	11889	380	I I. Ward	1807	11896
286 F C Klein	1870	11881	394	R F Ruley	11840	100
286 F. C. Klein 289 J. L. Elderdice	1990	11883	308	T R Woodford	1800	100
294 J. W. Balderston.	1001	1000	207	C F Drown	1900	100
294 J. W. Daiderston .	1001	1000	200	C M Comphon	1000	100
297 J. M. Gill 299 S. F. Cassen 302 E. A. Warfield	1002	1000	100	D. M. Compner	11000	1100
299 S. F. Cassen	1006	11000	400	W N Charmad	1000	1100
SUZIE. A. Warneid	1004	1000	401	W. N. Sherwood	1000	1100
308 J. W. Kirk	1885	1000	405	T. H. Charachar	1900	190:
309 B W. Kindley 310 H. L. Elderdice 312 F. T. Benson	1885	11887	400	J. H. Straughn	1901	1900
Bluerdice	1885	1885	400	C. R. Strausburg	1901	1904
B1Z F. T. Benson	1886	1887	409	P. W. Crosby	1903	1904
315 J. F. Wooden 320 E. H. VanDyke 321 G. W. Haddaway. 324 H. W. D. Johnson.	1886	11889	411	G. J. Hooker	1303	1904
320 E. H. vanDyke	1887	1889	413	Clayborne Phillips	1903	1908
321 G. W. Haddaway.	1888	1890	415	R. L. Shipley	1903	1908
324 H. W. D. Johnson.	1888	1891	410	B. A. Bryan	1904	1900
330 C. E. McCullough. 332 H. S. Johnson	1889	1891	417	G. I. Humphreys	1904	1906
332 H. S. Johnson	1890	1892	421	F. M. Clift	1904	1900
338 L. F. Warner	1891	1893	423	J. T. Bailey	1905	190
339 J. W. Parris 340 Avery Donovan 341 S. W. Coe	1891	1891	424	N. C. Clough	1905	190
340 Avery Donovan	[1891	1892	425	Carroll Maddox	1905	1908
341 S. W. Coe	[1891	Tr.	426	W. P. Roberts	1905	190
342 Dorsey Blake	1892	1893	428	C. M. Elderdice	1906	1307
342 Dorsey Blake 343 L. A. Bennett	1892	1892	429	W. L. Hoffman	1996	1908
344 C. M. Cullum	1892	1893	432	L. B. Smith	1906	1907
345 G. R. Donaldson]1892	1895	434	W. S. Hanks	1906	Tr.
347 A. H. Green	1892	1894	436	E. L. Bunce	1907	1907
B47 A. H. Green B50 C. K. McCaslin	1892	1893	437	H. B. Jester	1907	1969
R52 Louis Randall	11892	11894	4381	P. L. Rice	11907	11909
354 J. A. Wright	1892	1892	439	F. D. Reynolds	1907	Tr.
354 J. A. Wright 355 G. M. Clayton 356 J. McLain Brown	1893	1896	440	G. A. Ogg	1907	Tr.
356 J. McLain Brown	1893	1894	441	E. A. Sexsmith	1907	Tr.
357 George Hines	1893	1896	442	J. L. Nichols	1908	Tr.
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359 E. C. Makosky	1893	1895	448	J. R. Wright	1909	1911
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159 R. Y. Nichols	son 1911	1912	49810	libert S. Ross.		1918	1918
161 W. C. Mumfe	ord 1911	1912	500 I	. W. Gordon		1918	Tr.
162 C. M. Adams.	1912	11914	501 0	. E. McDorma	n	1919	1919
163 W. F. Bausch	her1912	1913	502 J	. W. Townsend		1919	1919
164 J. A. Dudley.	11912	1912	503 R	. W. White		1919	1919
165 A. W. Ewell.	1912	1913	504 K	. H. Wareheim		1919	1919
166 E. W. Simms,	1912	1913	505 E	L. Ballard		1919	1919
167 W. F. Wright	1912	1914	506 J	. R. McKeawn.		1919	1919
168 Ziba Adams	1913	Tr.	507 G	E. Leister		1919	1919
71 C. C. Day	1913	1914	508 J	Leas Green		1919	1919
172 W. M. Snyder	1913	1914	509 J	W. Baxlev]	1919	1919
73 T. C. Jones	1914	Tr.	510 R	. W. Sutcliffe	1	1919	Tr.
74 J. N. Link	1914	1916	511 F	. K. McCorkle.		1919	1920
178 I. S. Owens.	1915	1917	512 S	. C. Wood	1	1919	
79 W. L. Jump	1915	1917	513 E	. C. Graham	[1	1920	Tr.
80 E. T. Kirkley	1915	1916	514 F	. W. Siffrin]]	1920	1920
81 J. Peyton Ad	ams 1916	1917	515 G	. E. Turner		1920	1920
83 J. P. George	1916	1918	516 F	. M. Volk	1	1920	1920
88 K. K. Haddaw	ay1917	1917	517 B	. F. Crowson	1	L9201	
89 C. R. Dutton	1917	1917	518 C	. M. Jenkins	1	1920	
91 J. H. Lynch	1917	1919	519 C	. P. Butler	[1	920	Tr.
92 C. N. Alexand	ler 1917	1918	520 J.	Earl Cummin	gs 1	$\lfloor 921 \rfloor$	1921
93 C. H. Dobson.		1919	521 J.	Tracey Fenby		921	1921
94 H. L. Murphy	1917	1919	522 W	H. Hodges	1	921	Tr.
95 L. E. Haddaw	av1917	1919	523 F	G. Holloway	1	921	1921
96 A. F. T. Raus	n1917	1919	524 C	. M. Kelser	1	921	1921
97 P. M. R. Scha	uer 1917	1918	525 P	aul F Warner	11	921	1921

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"Girls' Home" Day: (Report N) February, 2nd Sunday.

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- PRESIDENT'S REPORT—G. E. Brown, L. B. Smith, W. C. Scott, Milton L. Veasey.
- COMMITTEE OF AUDIT-F. A. Holland, N. C. Clough, Brady Shahan.
- CONFERENCE PROGRAM 1922—President of Conference, F. T. Benson, G. I. Humphreys, C. H. Grumbine, Harry E. Buick, J. E. Chamberlain.
- APPOINTEES ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF YOUNG PEOPLE WORK—President of Conference, R. L. Shipley, W. M. Snyder, Frank L. Ball, A. R. Hartman.
- OUR CHURCH HOME—Avery Donovan, N. O. Gibson, C. C. Day, Dr. E. B. Fenby, R. O. Fuss, L. H. Lecates.
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- To Co-operate with Secretary in Preparation of Blanks—C. P. Nowlin, J. A. Dudley.
- To Consider Feasibility of Establishing Christian Newspaper—W. O. Atwood, Daniel Baker, Seth H. Linthicum.
- To Locate Methodist Protestant People—J. H. Straughn, ex-officio; E. L. Beauchamp, E. Lester Ballard, C. R. Strausburg.
- To Consider Feasibility of Fire Insurance Company—Dr. E. B. Fenby, J. P. Dodge, J. A. Baker, Louis Randall, C. P. Nowlin.
- To Consider Plan of Conference Entertainment—C. P. Nowlin, G. I. Humphreys, W. C. Scott.
- To Co-operate with Our Church Home—G. M. Clayton, W. H. Litsinger, E. A. Sexsmith, Seth H. Linthicum, George K. Mather.
- On \$100,000 Superannuate Fund—G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Kirk, C. P. Nowlin, T. A. Murray, J. P. Dodge, Daniel Baker.
- Forward Movement Commission—J. H. Straughn, ex-officio; T. H. Lewis, J. M. Gill, H. L. Elderdice, F. T. Benson, G. W. Haddaway, L. F. Warner, R. L. Shipley, G. I. Humphreys, F. P. Adkins, W. O. Atwood, W. E. Cain, E. G. Cover, J. P. Dodge, George K. Mather, W. C. Scott.
- On Readjusting Western Maryland Circuits—J. H. Straughn, ex-officio; G. W. Haddaway, J. M. Sheridan, the Pastors of Charges concerned, Howard Gray, L. S. Patterson, F. G. Brandenburg, Jr., W. E. Burrall, J. N. Warfield, Jr., J. D. Hett, J. F. Boyer, F. A. Hammond.

To Report 1922

- On Conference Blanks-G. I. Humphreys, C. P. Nowlin, J. P. Dudley.
- On Christian Daily Newspaper—W. O. Atwood, Daniel Baker, Seth H. Linthicum, F. T. Little, G. A. Ogg.
- On \$100,000 Superannuated Fund—G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Kirk, C. P. Nowlin, T. A. Murray, J. P. Dodge, Daniel Baker.
- Board of Survey—President of the Conference, L. F. Warner, G. W. Haddaway, E. C. Makosky, W. H. Litsinger, G. I. Humphreys, Fred P. Adkins, W. C. Scott, W. O. Atwood, H. B. Linton, J. N. Warfield, Jr.
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- On Budget—W. A. Melvin, N. O. Gibson, E. A. Sexsmith, W. D. Ford, E. A. Craig, J. Albert Baker.
- On Faculty—T. H. Lewis, F. T. Little, W. B. Judefind.
- To Co-operate with Maryland Lord's Day Alliance—L. F. Warner, Louis Randall, E. A. Sexsmith.

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- T. O. CROUSE—The New Testament. English Grammar.
- W. M. STRAYER—Miller's Clerical Habits and Manners. Merrill's Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.

Constitution and Discipline of the M. P. Church. Official Blanks.

J. W. GRAY-Fisher's Manual of Christian Evidences.

All persons intending to apply for admission on trial will write to the

President of the Conference for official blanks, on which application should be made.

All students in the Preparatory Course are required to present a written sermon to the President of the Faculty on or before February 1st of each Conference year.

Students-E. J. Holland, Robert Browne.

First Year's Class

- T. H. LEWIS-"Tillets Studies in Christian Doctrine."
- J. L. ELDERDICE—Broadus' Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.

 A written 'sermon submitted February 1st.
- T. O. CROUSE—English.
- E. H. VAN DYKE—Nicholl's Help to the Study of the Bible.
- J. W. GRAY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. I.
- B. W. KINDLEY—Sunday School Experience—Tralle.

 Students—S. C. Wood.

Second Year's Class

- H. L. ELDERDICE—Curtis' Theology, Vol. I. First half.
- J. W. TROUT—Smith's Historical Geography of the Holy Land.
- W. M. Strayer—Fisher's Church History. (Complete.)
- J. W. BALDERSTON-Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. II.
- B. W. KINDLEY—Training the Teacher—Schauffler.

 Students—J. H. Lynch, H. L. Murphy, C. M. Jenkins.

Third Year's Class

- F. T. BENSON—Curtis' Theology, Vol. I. Last half. A written sermon submitted by January 1st.
- L. F. WARNER-Lewis' The Divine Credentials.

The following books are to be read by the class and a written Syllabus presented to the examiners at the time indicated:

L. F. WARNER—Peck's "The Revival and the Pastor," submitted November 1st.

Buckley's "Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching," submitted February 1st.

Students-

L. F. WARNER will deliver a lecture on the Theory and Practice of our Church Government, and every student is required to attend this lecture and examination, and also to answer the question: "Have you spent a portion of each day in private study of the Word and in prayer?"

The Faculty meets on Tuesday, at 10.00 a.m., to examine students, and at 7.30 p.m., for business. Students will not be examined any other day.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course, or for orders. Two-thirds will be marked 70. All questions answered, or less three, will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be reported to the Conference.

All who are to be placed in the hands of the President are to understand that this action must not necessarily be construed as giving encouragement to the hope of a future reception into the Conference.

Students who fail to meet the requirements of their year's class regarding the submission of sermons and the attainment of the percentage necessary for passing shall not be advanced to ordination or passed through the course.

L. F. WARNER, President

J. W. KIRK, Secretary.

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Newark, N. J. April 6, 1921.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY

Morning

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened in its 93rd session this day in the First Methodist Protestant Church, Newark, N. J., at 9.00 a.m. The President, J. H. Straughn, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotional service. After the singing of Hymn 300, L. F. Warner led in prayer. Responsive Reading No. 35 was led by S. F. Cassen, which was followed by singing of Hymn 374.

The roll of the Conference was called by the Secretary. The names of J. W. Norris, by motion of S. W. Coe, and E. L. Beauchamp, by motion of J. M. Sheridan, were transferred to the Memorial Roll.

By motion, the Secretary of the Conference was instructed to send letters to the members of the Conference who are unavoidably prevented from attendance because of sickness.

The Committee on Credentials made its report and was adopted, with power to make changes. (See Report B.)

The President made a statement that the Committee on Program had placed the hour of the Memorial Service at 10.00 a.m. Wednesday and suggested that the Conference now enter this service.

The Memorial Roll was called by J. W. Kirk. At the name of J. W. Norris, S. W. Coe read the obituary and J. W. Gray and J. W. Kirk spoke. At the name of E. L.Beauchamp, J.M. Sheridan, W. P. Roberts, G. W. Haddaway, L. F. Warner, E. C. Makosky, J. W. Kirk and M. E. Hungerford spoke in eulogy. The Conference then stood in silence to express its love and esteem of these brethren.

The President of the Conference led the Conference in its annual service of worship. Music was furnished by the Conference quartette leading the congregation in singing of Hymns 221 and 418. W. B. Judefind read the Scripture, Ephesians 4:1-16. G. M. Clayton preached the Conference sermon from Ephesians 1:22, 23. Subject, "The Cohesive Church."

Following the sermon the Communion of the Lord's Supper was administered by J. H. Straughn, F. T. Little, T. O. Crouse, G. Q. Bacchus, J. M. Sheridan, J. W. Trout.

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The Conference opened at 2.00 p. m. By motion of F. T. Little the bar of the Conference was fixed at the eighth pew. A. W. Mather was called to the Chair. The President made his report. (See Report A.) At the conclusion of its reading his character was passed. The order of the day was suspended. The President read the list of Standing Committees. The Report of the Program Committee was adopted and printed copies distributed. (See Report Q.)

The Order of the Day was called for and the President appointed J. L. Ward, H. S. Johnson, A. R. Lewis and M. O. Day as tellers for the election of President. The ballot for President resulted as follows: 160 votes cast, J. H. Straughn 151, W. A. Melvin 2, E. C. Makosky 2, L. F. Warner 2, G. M. Clayton 1, G. I. Humphreys 1. The Secretary declared J. H. Straughn elected, who acknowledged his election by a short address.

On motion of F. T. Little the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot for G. I. Humphreys for Secretary.

On motion of F. T. Little the Secretary cast the ballot for C. P. Nowlin as Treasurer for 1922.

On motion of F. T. Little the Secretary cast the ballot for J. A. Dudley as the Conference Steward for 1922.

The President appointed the same tellers for the election of the standing district committee who received the ballots and were given the privilege of retiring to count the votes. The President appointed W. F. Wright, J. L. Green, G. W. Lewis. W. E. Harrison as tellers for the election of the Committee on Appeals who received the ballots and were permitted to retire to count the votes.

The Secretary made his report which was adopted with the reference of the financial part to the Committee on Audit. (See Report B.)

The Roll of the Conference was called for the pastors to deposit their reports and the stewards were permitted to retire. The roll of charges was then called for communications.

A Resolution signed by E. C. Makosky was offered asking G. M. Clayton to furnish the manuscript of his sermon for publication in the Minutes. Adopted. (Resolution 1.)

Conference adjourned with benediction by J. M. Sheridan.

Evening

Service of song led by the Conference Choir. The President of the Conference presided. A. N. Ward read the Twenty-first Chapter of Revelation. Louis Randall led in prayer. The address of the evening was given by Professor Herman Harrell Horne, M. A., Ph. D., Professor of Psychology of Teaching in the New York University, on "Shall we stand by the Church?" A rising vote of thanks was given Dr. Horne. Conference adjourned with the benediction by F. T. Little.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY

Morning

Conference opened at 9.30 a.m. with the President in the Chair. The Minutes were read and approved. The Secretary called the roll. The roll of the different boards and special committees was called and papers were referred to proper standing committees.

The President stated that a letter had been received from John H.

Baker telling of his inability to be at the Conference and asked the privilege of substituting for his name on the Committee of Superannuates the nam eof Hunter B. Linton.

The Tellers of the election of the Standing District Committee reported that F. T. Little, L. F. Warner, J. M. Sheridan, T. P. Fisher, W. G. Baker and T. A. Murray had been elected. They were declared elected by the President.

A letter was read from C. M. Cullum expressing his regret that he was unable to attend Conference because of the illness of his wife.

A letter was read from J. M. Holmes telling of his indisposition and regret at his enforced absence. A letter from J. L. Elderdice told of his ill health and asked for a superannuate relation. By motion, the request was referred to the Committee on Superannuates. T. H. Lewis spoke of the character and work of J. L. Elderdice. A letter from T. R. Woodford was read in which he expressed regret that the urgency of his work prevented his attendance at Conference and asked for a continuance of his relation.

The Report of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society (see Report R) was read stating that the Board of Directors are the same, that the income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund has been paid and that because of an emergency in the church paper the usual appropriation of \$500.00 could not be paid for the education of young ministers. The report was adopted.

The Report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference (See Report D) was read giving the names of the Trustees whose terms expire, giving an account of the disposition of the Eversole legacy and furnishing with the report, the books and account of the Treasurer. The report was adopted. By motion offered by E. H. VanDyke a general vote was taken for the Trustees of the Conference. The President appointed as tellers H. S. Johnson, B. F. Ruley, A. R. Lewis and M. O. Day who received the votes and were permitted to retire to count the ballots.

An overture from the General Conference was read asking that the time of the next session be changed from the third Friday in May, 1924, to the third Wednesday in May, 1924. The Conference concurred in the proposed change.

G. A. Morris spoke to a question of personal privilege telling of his early advocacy of women's suffrage for the Methodist Protestant Church and its vindication by subsequent action of the Church. F. T. Benson also spoke.

A letter from G. H. Stocksdale was read requesting that he be excused from attendance from the Conference on account of illness.

The Committee on Audit made a report (See Report P) showing that the books and accounts of the Conference Treasurer were correct in every particular. The Report was adopted.

The Report of the Special Committee on readjustment of Circuits in Howard, Carroll and Frederick Counties (See Report Y) was read and by motion referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

A resolution signed by Seth H. Linthicum and others was offered appreciating the life and ministry of J. W. Gray, the only surviving member of the class which entered the Conference at its former meeting in

Newark, N. J. in 1861. The resolution was adopted by standing vote (See Resolution 2).

The Conference observed the set time for devotional services. Hymns of praise were sung. H. O. Keen and J. T. Bailey led in prayer. G. I. Humphreys read the Fourteenth Chapter of the Gospel according to St. John.

The Order of the Day was observed and the President of the General Conference, T. H. Lewis, addressed the Conference.

The Special Committee on the Preparation of Blanks (See Report U) made its report recommending a space in the Minutes for "Pastor's Salary Assessed" and changing the places for the report of contributions to the Anti-Saloon League and Sunday School expenses. Louis Randall spoke to the report. The Report was adopted.

Rev. H. K. Carroll, LL. D., Secretary of the Ecumenical Conference of Methodism, which is to meet in London, September 6, 1921, was introduced and addressed the Conference expressing his fraternal affection and telling of plans for the coming conference.

The tellers of the ballot for the Conference Trustees reported that E. C. Makosky, A. W. Mather, J. P. Dodge and T. W. Donahoe were elected. The President declared these brethren elected.

The President announced that a change would be necessary on the Committee on Literature and Education because of the election of L. F. Warner to the Faculty of Instruction and announced that E. H. VanDyke was chairman and F. C. Klein has been added to the committee.

The Conference adjourned with benediction by A. W. Mather.

Afternoon

The Conference was called to order at 2.00 p. m. by the President. The Order of the Day was suspended and the Report of the of the Treasurer of the Maryland Conference Trustees (See Report D) was read. The report was adopted.

The Order of the Day was resumed and F. T. Benson took charge of a discussion of "The Methodist Protestant." W. H. Litsinger read an historical paper written by F. T. Tagg. F. T. Little, H. L. Elderdice, J. H. Straughn, G. W. Haddaway, F. T. Benson, T. H. Lewis, A. W. Mather spoke.

The Order of the Day was observed and the Women's Organizations of the Church had Mrs. L. F. Warner to represent the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and Mrs. E. A. Craig to represent the Woman's Home Missionary Society with addresses.

The Committee on Church Extension presented a partial report (Report G) on the church in Wilmington. Motion to adopt by E. H. Van-Dyke. T. H. Lewis asked for the consideration of the General Conference Budget before this report was adopted. The partial Report of the Committee on Church Extension was postponed. A partial Report of the Committee on President's Report (Report A) was presented concurring in the President's' recommendation for the increased budget but asking that the Conference pass upon the matter. G. W. Haddaway offered an amendment that we accept the budget of \$110,000.00. M. L. Veasey, E. H.

VanDyke, J. McL. Brown, J. T. Norris, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn, Louis Randall, T. H. Lewis, C. P. Nowlin, P. W. Crosby, J. M. Gill, F. C. Klein, H. B. Linton, G. A. Morris, F. M. Ball, Fannie T. Hay spoke. The amendment and the report was adopted.

A motion that the Board of Finance be instructed to levy the General Conference budget on a basis of 10 1/2 times the budget for year just ending. The motion was carried.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by A. W. Mather.

Evening

Service of Song led by the Conference Choir. J. F. Bryan read Romans 8:1-21. George Hines led in Prayer. H. L. Elderdice and A. N. Ward spoke on the educational enterprises of the Church. After singing, the meeting adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. W. J. Thompson.

THIRD DAY-FRIDAY

Morning

Conference opened at 9.30 with the President in the Chair. minutes were read and approved. The roll was called. J. W. Townsend and J. W. Trout were excused from attendance on the Conference. The President announced that G. E. Leister had been appointed Postmaster in the place of E. L. Ballard. The Order of the Day was passed and deferred business was taken up, which was the partial report of the Committee on Church Extension on the Wilmington Church (See Report G). The report recommended an appropriation of \$2,500.00 in four annual payments, the opening of the pulpits of the Conference for solicitation, the request of the Board of Home Missions for \$15,000.00, and that all plans be laid before the Board of Survey. L. B. Smith, R. L. Shipley and J. M. Gill spoke to the report. The report was considered by item and so adopted. On motion of J. W. Gray the partial report was adopted in its entirety.

A telegram from Drs. J. F. Goucher and W. W. Davis, of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, stating that resolutions, previously sent and received, had been adopted by their conference and requesting a committee to meet with a committee appointed by them was

read and referred to the Committee on Moral Reform.

The Treasurer stated that 76 charges had not paid the assessment on General Conference expenses and 58 had not paid the assessment on West Lafayette College. A list of the charges delinquent on the West Lafayette College assessment was read.

The hour of the devotional service arrived. "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was sung. J. W. Kirk and T. H. Lewis led in prayer. T. O. Crouse read Titus 3:3-9.

The Special Committee to consider the feasability of a Fire Insurance Company (See Report BB) reported, giving an account of the state laws and recommending that the committee continue to canvass the subject and memorialize the General Conference in advocacy of the attempt. T. H. Lewis moved that the recommendation be stricken out and the report adopted with the thanks of the Conference for the work of the committee in its investigation. G. W. Haddaway, Louis Randall, C. P. Nowlin spoke. The amendment carried and the report was adopted as amended.

The Committee on President's Report (See Report A) made its report. F. T. Little was called to the Chair. By motion the recommendations were considered separately.

A recommendation for the appointment of a committee to assist in working out the plan for the raising of the General Conference Budget, with the President as chairman of the committee, and the committee given authority to see that every charge adopt the plan was adopted. T. H. Lewis, E. H. VanDyke, J. H. Straughn spoke.

A recommendation that the President be reimbursed for interest paid on the debt for the parsonage improvement was adopted. J. H. Straughn and F. T. Little spoke.

A recommendation that the Conference Trustees take speedy action to sell the President's parsonage was adopted. J. H. Straughn, and F. T. Little spoke.

A recommendation for the creation of a Board of Survey with the President ex-officio chairman was presented. J. H. Straughn, J. W. Kirk, C. N. Alexander, T. H. Lewis, J. M. Sheridan, W. H. Litsinger, W. M. Strayer spoke. J. W. Kirk offered an amendment: "With the understanding that any advice given by the Board of Survey shall not be considered a veto by the local church." The amendment was lost. The recommendation was adopted. The Conference recessed with the benediction by C. E. Dryden.

Afternoon

The Conference was called to order at 2.00 p.m. by the President. F. T. Little was called to the chair. The discussion of the report of the Committee on President's Report was resumed.

A recommendation changing the Manual to fix pastor's salary at a minimum of \$1,100.00 for this year was read. J. H. Straughn, G. I. Humphreys, G. W. Haddaway spoke. G. W. Haddaway moved to amend by striking out \$1,100.00 and inserting \$1,200.00. T. O. Crouse and G.W. Haddaway spoke to the amendment. The recommendation was adopted as amended.

A recommendation concurring with the President's plan of an evangelistic campagin was read. J. H. Straughn, E. D. Stone, H. L. Elderdice spoke. The recommendation was adopted unanimously by a standing vote the Conference standing while H. L. Elderdice led in prayer.

The amended report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Agent of the President's parsonage (See Report A) was read. The Treasurer asked the Conference for instruction concerning the bill for the moving expenses of the President. F. T. Little made a motion to adopt the report and instruct the Treasurer to pay the bill.

The Report of the Committee on Pulpit Supply was read and adopted. The Committee on Benevolent Agencies presented its report. (See Report L.) The Reports of the Board of Deaconess Work (Report L) and the Treasurer of the Deaconess Home were read. The recommendation was that \$2,500.00 be assessed on the Conference for the Deaconess Home.

The President of the Board, J. F. Bryan, presented to the Conference Deaconesses Lillian M. DeMoss, Mary E. Ford, Sara E. Cullen, Myrtle Baus and Miss Maybelle Waples. J. F. Bryan, W. A. Melvin, L. B. Smith, A. R. Lewis, J. M. Sheridan, Louis Randall, N. C. Clough spoke. The report was adopted.

A motion was passed that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for A. S. Beane, J. F. Bryan, A. R. Lewis, T. W. Donoho and Miss Mary Volke as members of the Deaconess Board.

The Chairman of the Committee on Superannuates made a partial report (See Report H) recommending:

- 1. That the names of G. J. Hill, G. Q. Bacchus, J. L. Elderdice, Mrs. J. W. Norris and Mrs. E. L. Beauchamp be added to the roll of superannuates.
- 2. That the sum of \$7,000.00 be assessed on the Conference for the ensuing year.

The partial report was adopted.

The Committee to Locate Methodist Protestant People (See Report Z) reported blanks had been prepared and sent to all pastors. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Literature and Education presented its report. (Report I.) A. N. Ward, President of the Western Maryland College, read his report and spoke of the campaign for the sale of scholarships for the building of McDaniel Hall and invited the Summer Conference to be the guests of the College at its coming session.

The part of the report relating to the Westminster Theological Seminary contained the following recommendations:

- 1. That the Seminary be made the custodian of the relics and books of the Maryland Historical Society. J. W. Trout, F. T. Little, G. I. Humphreys spoke. R. L. Shipley offered an amendment "That a committee be appointed to do this if after consideration the action be thought wise." The amended recommendation was adopted.
- 2. That Ministers and laymen be requested each to give at least one theological book a year to the Seminary Library. The recommendation was adopted.
- 3. That the Conference respond liberally to the appeal of the President when he asks for the \$1,500.00 which he subscribed as Maryland's share of the remainder of the debt on the day of dedication. The recommendation was adopted.
- 4. That H. L. Elderdice be appointed President for another year. The recommendation was adopted.

The part of the Report dealing with the Baltimore Book Directory was read, containing the following recommendations:

- 1. That a goal of two thousand subscriptions to "The Methodist Protestant" be set for next year. The recommendation was adopted.
- 2. That the third Sunday in October be designated as Methodist Protestant Day. The recommendation was adopted.
- 3. That the Conference recognize in some fitting way the one hundred years of service of the Methodist Protestant. By motion of F. T. Little the recommendation was referred back to the committee.

By motion the Conference suspended business for the meeting of the

Maryland Conference Church Extension Society. Upon resumption the Conference adjourned with benediction by J. M. Sheridan.

Evening

The President presided and conducted a service of song. P. W. Crosby led in Prayer. Scripture was read by T. C. Jones. Major G. K. Weston was introduced to the Conference and spoke on the Near East Relief. H. L. Elderdice introduced Professor Robert W. Rogers, Ph. D., F. R. G. S., of Drew Theological Seminary, who lectured on "Abraham and the Kings of the East." After the lecture the Conference gave a rising vote of thanks to Dr. Rogers and F. T. Little closed the meeting with prayer.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY

Morning

The Conference started at 9.30 a.m. with the President in the chair. The Minutes were read and approved as corrected.

The report of the Committee on Superannuates (See Report H) was read and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

After an explanation by the Chairman of the Board of Finance, Louis Randall, and E. E. Wooden, of the difficulties in laying the assessment for the General Conference Budget F. T. Little moved that it is the sense of this Conference that the action of the other day was an instruction to the Board of Finance to lay the assessment for the General Conference Budget in the most equitable manner possible. J. A. Dudley, C. M. Elderdice, G. W. Haddaway spoke. The motion was carried.

The Conference gave way to the meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society.

The Conference resumed its business. The President introduced Rev. Drs. B. D. F. Randolph, C. F. Sitterly and Julius F. Maschman, of the Newark Conference Methodist Episcopal, who extended fraternal greetings. F. T. Little was called to the chair. Dr. C. H. Beck, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and messenger of the General Conference, C. S. Johnson, Secretary of the Forward Movement Commission, and F. C. Klein, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, were introduced to the Conference.

The Special Committee to consider the Feasibility of Establishing a Christian Newspaper (See Report AA) reported that there was a great need of such a paper and expressed the hope that a change in the present policy of the newspapers in Maryland might be changed by the united influence of Christian organizations.

The hour of the devotional service arrived and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" was sung. C. H. Beck and C. S. Johnson led in prayer. "Saviour More Than Life to Me" was sung.

At the Order of the Day C. H. Beck, C. S. Johnson and F. C. Klein addressed the Conference. After the Order of the Day the Conference resumed the discussion of the report of the Committe to consider the Feasibility of establishing a Christian Newspaper. C. M. Elderdice spoke

and offered an amendment that the committee be continued and enlarged by the addition of two ministers and that it be instructed to continue its efforts more energetically in co-operation with other denominations. J. W. Trout spoke. The amendment was adopted. The report as amended was adopted.

At the Order of the Day the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders made a partial report (See Report F) informing the Conference that J. L. Mills and A. W. Mather had resigned from the Faculty of Instruction and offering the following recommendations:

1. That Robert Browne be placed in the hands of the President and

be permitted to take the course of study.

2. That J. Tracy Fenby, Paul F. Warner, Charles M. Kelser, Fred G. Holloway and J. Earl Cummings be received and ordained.

3. That the Conference appoint a committee to report to the next session a plan for the reorganization of the Faculty of Instruction.

4. That W. H. Hodges, of the West Virginia Conference, be received. The partial report was adopted by items.

A resolution signed by C. P. Nowlin and others (See Resolution 3) that the Conference Treasurer be instructed to retain in the Superannuated Fund Account the balance of this year, was offered and adopted.

J. Tracy Fenby, Paul F. Warner, Charles M. Kelser, Fred G. Holloway, J. Earl Cummings and W. H. Hodges were called to the bar of the Conference and received into membership. The President addressed the new members and the Conference welcomed them with the right hand of fellowship.

A motion was offered that the Ordination Service be held on Sunday, . April 10th, in the First Church, Newark, N. J., following the ordination

sermon. The motion was carried.

C. E. Dryden, the chairman of the Committee on Official Relations, made a motion that the Conference appoint a delegation of two ministers and one layman to visit the Newark Methodist Episcopal Conference in a fraternal way. The motion was carried.

The tellers of the Ballot for the Committee on Appeals announced that J. W. Kirk, A. R. Lewis and M. A. Davis had received a majority of the votes of the Conference. By motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the votes of the Conference for the members having the next highest number of votes. The Secretary cast the ballot for A. W. Mather, L. F. Warner and E. B. Fenby. The President declared these members elected.

The report of the Special Committee on Conference Entertainment (See Report X) was received, recommending that whenever free entertainment is not offered the Conference is to meet in Baltimore, Washington or Wilmington, that a pro rata basis of expense for traveling be provided and an assessment be laid on the district of one per cent of the pastor's salary of each charge for the board of the members of the Conference. L. B. Smith, J. A. Dudley, J. M. Gill, T. H. Lewis, R. L. Shipley spoke. A motion that the report be amended by striking out the first item was carried. The report was adopted as amended.

A motion was made that the Treasurer be the one to work out the prorata expenses for traveling. The motion was carried.

A resolution signed by Milton L. Veasey and others (See Resolution 4)

was offered that Rule V, Section 5, of the Manual be amended to read "The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an 'Honor Roll" of charges which pay their assessments for the Maryland Conference in full." T. H. Lewis, F. T. Little, J. M. Sheridan, J. W. Trout, M. L. Veasey, L. F. Warner, E. A. Sexsmith, Louis Randall, A. Donovan, C. P. Nowlin, W. S. Hanks spoke. W. S. Hanks offered an amendment that an Honor Roll be made for those paying all assessments and Honorable Mention be made of the charges paying only the Maryland Conference assessments. T. H. Lewis offered as a substitute for the entire resolution that Section V, Rule 5, be changed to read: "The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an Honor Roll of the charges which pay their assessments in full and also the percentage of those charges paying less than 100 per cent." E. L. Bunce, B. F. Ruley, W. S. Hanks, W. H. Litsinger, G. A. Morris spoke to the substitute. The substitute was adopted.

Adjournment with the benediction by H. S. Johnson.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY

Morning

The Ordination Sermon was preached by J. M. Gill, D. D., pastor of the West Baltimore Station, in the Conference Church. The service was in charge of the President of the Conference, J. H. Straughn, D. D. The Hymns were announced by the pastor of the church, E. C. Makosky, D. D. Rev. B. W. Kindley read the scripture lesson; G. I. Humphreys led in the responsive reading, and Rev. Louis Randall offered prayer. The sermon was from the text: 2 Timothy, chapter 2, verse 15. The theme, "Dividing the Word."

The Ordination service followed, conducted by the President, assisted by T. H. Lewis, D. D., J. M. Sheridan, D. D., L. F. Warner, D. D., F. T. Little, D. D., E. C. Makosky, D. D., and the Secretary, G. I. Humphreys. The following presented themselves at the altar of the church and were ordained as Elders in the Church of Christ: J. Earl Cummings, J. Tracey Fenby, Fred G. Holloway, Charles M. Kelser and Paul F. Warner.

Evening

Service was held in the Conference Church with the sermon by T. H. Lewis, D. D., President of the General Conference. The theme was "The Divided House."

SIXTH DAY-MONDAY

Morning

The Conference opened at 9.30 a.m. with the President in the chair. The Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The roll was called. T. H. Lewis was called to the chair.

The President appointed as fraternal messengers to the Newark Con-

ference of the Methodist Episcopal Church F. T. Little, T. O. Crouse and T. Pliny Fisher.

The report of the Committee on Literature and Education was taken from the table and a recommendation was offered that on the third Sunday in October special services should be held in all the churches recognizing the value and services of the Methodist Protestant in the one hundred years of its life. The recommendation was adopted.

T. H. Lewis called attention of the Conference to the suggestion of the change of method in the election of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Thelogical Seminary and interpreted the adoption of the report of the committee as an approval of the change.

The report was adopted as a whole. (See Report I.)

The Committee to Visit the Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was permitted to retire.

The Committee on Church Home (See Report O) reported, expressing gratitude for the services of the management of the Home and contributions of goods from the charges, and interest in the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary by an effort to raise \$10,000.00 for the Home. The following recommendations were offered.

1. That Harvest Home Services be held in all churches and the produce sent to the Church Home. Avery Donovan, E. B. Fenby, J. F. Bryan spoke. J. F. Bryan offered an amendment that the donation be divided with the Deaconess Home. The amendmnet was lost. The recommendation was adopted.

2. That an assessment of \$8,000.00 be laid on the District for the Church Home. G. I. Humphreys offered an amendment that the assessment be the same as last year and the Conference take steps to secure \$500.00 to reimburse the Church Home for the amount of its underwriting to the Inter-Church World Movement. E. T. Read, E. B. Fenby spoke. The amendment was adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Committee on Young People's Work (See Report J) was offered. The report gave an account of the progress and work of the Board of Young People's Work and recommended that pastors urge attendance upon the Young People's Institute in the summer, that the pastors urge the payment of the dues of the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies and that each pastor devote at least one Sunday in the year to a consideration of the Life Recruit appeal for full time Christian service. The report was adopted.

The report of the Summer Conference for Ministers (See Report S) was read, telling of the plans for the next session and asking a credit of \$300.00 to assist in furnishing the program. A motion was made to adopt. R. L. Shipley spoke. G. I. Humphreys offered an amendment that the request for the credit be declined and the report received. The amendment was adopted.

The hour of the devotional exercises was at hand. "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood" and "I Need Thee Every Hour" were sung. Dr. R. J. Varney, of the Eastern Conference, Deaconess Lillian M. DeMoss and S. F. Cassen led in prayer.

The Conference received the Metropolitan Ministerial Association of the Methodist Protestant Church. Rev. Dr. C. S. Kidd, President of the Eastern Conference, introduced the brethren and made an address.

The Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations reported that certain discrepancies had been found between the amounts of the assessments and totals in the statistical tables and asked for instruction. A motion was made that all charges raising the amount of assessments in the "Totals" column be placed on the "Honor Roll." The motion was carried.

The Secretary read the report of the President of the Board of Young People's Work (See Report J) and the President, E. A. Sexsmith, addressed the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Superannuates was taken from the table and adopted. (See Report H.)

The report of the Special Committee on the \$100,000.00 Superannuated Fund (See Report V) was read. The report stated that owing to other financial efforts it is unwise to take up the campaign this year but the needs made it imperative that plans be laid for another year. The report was adopted and the committee continued.

The report of the Forward Movement Commission (See Report T) was offered, giving an account of its activities and the results of its work. The report was adopted.

An overture was read from the General Conference suggesting that Article VI, Section 2, of the Constitution be changed admitting the Presidents of the Ladies' Aid Societies, the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Brotherhoods to Membership in the Quarterly Conferences. The Conferences concurred in the overture. (See Resolution 4).

The report of the Committee on Closed Churches (See Report G) was read and adopted.

The Committee on Missions (See Report N) made its report, expressing gratitude at the progress of our mission work in the Home and Foreign fields. The committee endorsed the plan for a "Girls' Home" in Maryland and recommended that the second Sunday in February be known as "Girls' Home" Day, and offerings be taken on that day and sent to the Board of Home Missions and credited on the budget. The report suggested monthly missionary rallies in all the churches. The report was adopted.

The Committee to visit the Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church reported having visited the Conference and having been cordially received.

Invitations from the Chestertown and Denton churches to hold Conference next year in their churches were received. The President appointed E. C. Makosky and C. R. Strausburg as tellers to receive the Conference votes. The vote showed Chestertown received 64 votes and Denton 39. T. P. Fisher made a motion that the Conference unanimously accept the invitation of the Chestertown Church. The motion was carried.

The Conference recessed with the benediction by Dr. F. W. Varney.

Afternoon

The Conference was called to order by the President at 2.00 p. m. A partial report of the Committee on Audit (See Report P) was offered, stating that the committee had examined the accounts of the

Treasurer of the Church Extension Society and the agent of the President's Parsonage and all were found correct. The partial report was adopted.

The Committee on Statistics made its report (See Tables) giving the information that there are now 34,674 full members and 1,038 probationers, 3,090 full members and 807 probationers have been received during the year and 3,672 conversions were reported. There are 35,346 members in the Sunday school. The committee called attention to the difference in insurance carried by the churches and recommended that the matter be given careful consideration in every charge at the First Quarterly Conference of this year. The report was adopted. The President called attention to the large number of members who have been dropped from the rolls of the charges during the year. G. W. Haddaway, E. T. Read, L. B. Smith, R. W. Sutcliffe, R. L. Shipley, J. M. Gill and N. J. Wimbrow spoke. E. T. Read offered a resolution (See Resolution 5) "that we deplore the too hastily dropping of members from our church registers and call attention to the provisions in the Discipline for such action as found in Article XIV, Section 3, of the Constitution." J. M. Gill offered an amendment that the resolution be published in the Methodist Protestant. L. B. Smith and A. H. Green spoke. The resolution was adopted as amended.

The Treasurer made a partial report which was received and referred to the Committee on Audit. (See Report C.)

L. B. Smith offered a resolution (See Resolution 6) that the pastors be urged to use every possible means of locating members of their church who have changed their places of residence and refer them to the pastors nearest their present homes, and that this resolution be published in the Methodist Protestant. B. A. Bryan spoke. The report was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Charlton B. Strayer was introduced to the Conference and made an address.

The Special Committee to Co-operate with the Church Home (See Report W) brought to the Conference a joint resolution asking the Conference to authorize the observance of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary, Sunday Judy 17, 1921, by a birthday offering of \$10,000.00 towards the permanent fund. G. M. Clayton, E. C. Makosky, J. M. Sheridan spoke. The report was recommitteed.

A resolution was offered signed by E. H. VanDyke, T. R. Matthews, N. J. Parks, E. E. Wooden, S. H. Linthicum, W. C. Scott, T. P. Fisher "That in view of the great, great need of a cohesive and co-ordinated church life, as set forth by the address of the President of the General Conference, and believing that the following plan of endeavor will make a worth-while contribution to that end, be it hereby

Resolved: That the Maryland Annual Conference throw out a challenge to the laymen of large vision and resources in the denomination, to raise a fund for the purpose of financing a commission of visitation between the larger and smaller conferences, of approximately twenty-five ministers and laymen, the members of said commission to be appointed by the President of the General Conference, who shall give general direction to the activities of the commission.

Resolved II, That the President of this Conference appoint a com-

mittee of ten laymen of this conference district whose duty it shall be to present, as early as possible, this challenge, individually to the aggressive laymen of the church and to make all necessary arrangements for receiving and handling the funds, in co-operation with the President of the General Conference. R. L. Shipley, L. B. Smith, J. M. Gill, J. M. Sheridan, T. P. Fisher, C. M. Elderdice, F. T. Little spoke. The resolution was not adopted.

A letter from J. L. Mills was read in which he expressed regret at being unable to attend Conference because of sickness.

The Committee on Social Service (See Report CC) reported that no business had been referred to it. E. T. Read, J. L. Nichols spoke. R. L. Shipley offered an amendment that the committee be discontinued as a standing committee. J. H. Straughn spoke. T. O. Crouse offered an amendment to the amendment that the committee on Social Service be merged with the Committee on Moral Reform to be known as "The Committee on Moral Reform and Social Service." The amendment to the amendment was adopted. The report was adopted as amended.

The Committee on Moral Reform (See Report K) made its report calling attention to the bitter fight still on with the liquor interests, with the forces standing against a Christian Sabbath and the vicious race track gambling advocates. G. I. Humphreys, J. L. Nichols, F. T. Little spoke to the report. A. S. Beane moved to amend by striking out a sentence. B. F. Ruley, J. L. Nichols, E. T. Read spoke to the amendment. The amendment was adopted.

L. B. Smith offered an amendment that we deplore the proposed Dempsey-Carpentier fight and urge the New Jersey authorities to prohibit the exhibition.

The following recommendations were adopted:

1. That we appreciate the campaign of the Philadelphia North American in the interests of the American Sunday school.

2. That we urge the appointment of a Commissioner of Internal Revenue and a National Prohibition Commissioner and Director who are in sympathy with the prohibition amendment.

3. That We pledge the Lord's Day Alliance our co-operation for a better observance of the Sabbath.

4. That we appoint the committees requested by the Lord's Day Alliance.

A motion was made that we notify W. W. Davis and the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church that the committees have been appointed. The motion was carried.

C. M. Elderdice spoke to the portion of the report referring to the Ex-Attorney-General Palmer. W. E. Harrison and J. L. Nichols also spoke. The report was adopted as a whole as amended.

The special report of the Committee to Co-operate with the Church Home (See Report W) was returned with the resolution that the Conference approve the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary and the raising of \$10,000.00 for the Home. The report was adopted.

A resolution signed by J. A. Dudley (See Resolution 7) that the Manual Rule VI, Section 6 be changed to read "4 o'clock Wednesday." The resolution was adopted.

A motion was made that the Special Committee on the preparation of blanks for the pastoral reports be continued. The motion was carried.

The Conference Steward made his report which was adopted. (See Statistical Tables.)

The Conference gave way to the meeting of the Mutual Relief Association. Upon the resumption of business the President suggested that the bar of the Conference be fixed at the sixth pew for the evening session. The Conference recessed with the benediction by D. W. Anstine.

Evening

The Conference was called to order by the President at 8.00 p. m. The Committee on Church Extension made its report (See Report G). The report was adopted by items.

Recommendations:

- 1. That \$12,000.00 be assessed on the District. Adopted.
- 2. That J. M. Sheridan be appointed Secretary of Church Extension. Adopted.
- 3. That Linthicum Heights be listed with the Baltimore appointments. Adopted.

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- 1. That Barnsley Church on Cecil Circuit be dropped. J. M. Sheridan, E. C. Makosky, J. H. Straughn, G. E. Turner spoke. Adopted.
- 2. That the consolidation of Broadway and Lauraville be reconsidered and that there be a merger of Broadway and Bethany to be known as Broadway-Bethany Charge. Adopted.
- 3. That Fairview Church on Bedford Charge be placed under the care of First Church, Cumberland. A motion was made to adopt. H. L. Schlincke offered a substitute that the recommendation be stricken out. H. L. Schlincke, J. M. Sheridan, J. F. Bryan, F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway spoke. The substitute was adopted. J. M. Sheridan moved to ratify the action of the Bedford Quarterly Conference of a year ago in dropping Fairview Church. J. M. Gill, B. F. Ruley, F. T. Little spoke. The motion was carried.
- J. F. Bryan made a point of order that as no written communication had come from the Bedford Quarterly Conference and therefore we cannot dispose of the church in this way. The President ruled that the Conference has absolute authority over the boundaries of the charges and the point was not well taken. F. T. Little made the point of order that the President had already ruled on the question and unless there was an appeal from the President's decision the Conference must proceed to the next business. The President ruled the point well taken.
- 4. That the question of the Susquehanna Charge be referred back to the charge for further action. Adopted.
- 5. That the request of Union Charge to drop Portsville be referred to the Board of Survey. Adopted.
- 6. That the readjustment of Pocomoke Circuit be referred to the Board of Survey. Adopted.
 - 7. That the report of the Committee on the Readjustment of Churches

in Howard, Carroll and Frederick Counties be referred to the Board of Survey. Adopted.

8. That the request of Grove Charge relative to the Smithson Church be referred to the Board of Survey. Adopted.

9. That Dagsboro be put under Georgetown and Selbyville be put under Whaleyville. Adopted.

10. That Graceland Park be listed as a Methodist Protestant Church and be placed on the Chesaco Park Charge. Adopted.

11. That the action of Dorchester Charge be ratified and Shiloh Church be placed in the hands of the Committee on Closed Churches. Adopted.

J. A. Dudley moved that Central Church on Georgetown Circuit be attached to the Milford Charge. C. E. Dryden offered as a substitute that it be placed under the care of the Milford Charge. The substitute was adopted.

A motion was made to amend the report by dropping Campbell Charge from the list of appointments. The motion was carried.

The committee's' recommendations of appropriations to charges were adopted separately.

T. O. Crouse moved to amend the recommendation of the appropriation to supplement pastor's salaries by striking out \$6,000.00 and inserting \$1,000.00. T. O. Crouse, J. B. Jones, G. W. Haddaway, H. W. D. Johnson, G. I. Humphreys, E. T. Read, W. A. Sites spoke. The amendment was not adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

The Treasurer of the Conference made his report which was received and referred to the Committee on Audit. (See Report C)

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders made its final report. (See Report F). They reported that E. J. Holland is continued in the preparatory class, that C. M. Jenkins is passed to the second year except in Sunday School Experience," S. C. Wood is continued in the first year's class, that J. H. Lynch and H. L. Murphy are continued in the second year's class and L. E. Haddaway is passed through the course. They recommended that C. S. Larrimore, W. A. Sites, W. S. Simms, H. F. Butler, A. W. Betts, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, T. J. Turkington, L. E. Bee and L. C. Randall be placed in the hands of the President and that C. S. Larrimore, H. F. Butler, A. W. Betts, B. P. Crowsen, C. M. Jenkins, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, S. C. Wood, T. J. Turkington and Robert Browne be given licenses to administer the ordinances. The partial report was adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

A motion was made that the Faculty of Instruction be requested to take care of the studies now without teachers until the committee on reorganization of the Faculty shall be able to report at the next Conference. The motion was carried.

The Collector for the Superannuate Fund Society dues reported that \$104.00 had been collected.

The Board of Finance made its report (See Report E) and asked to be allowed to continue its work and print in the Minutes. The report was adopted and the request granted.

G. E. Brown offered a resolution increasing the compensation of the

Conference Steward from \$25.00 to \$50.00. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 8.)

G. P. Humphreys offered a resolution (See Resolution 9) that the President be relieved of the duties of his office for such time as may be required to attend the Ecumenical Conference. The resolution was adopted.

Edgar T. Read was asked to receive a subscription for the Church Home to reimburse it for the underwriting of the Inter-Church World Movement of \$500.00. The amount was subscribed and the donors are asked to send the money to E. T. Read within ninety days.

G. I. Humphreys offered a resolution (See Resolution 10) requesting the Board of Managers of the Church Home to amend the Charter so as to elect the Board by the Annual Conference. The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Official Relations made its report. (See Report M.) The Honor Roll was read showing 129 charges having paid their assessments in full. The President read a list of 23 charges which did not pay their assessments in full, commenting on each charge, nine of which are not regularly supplied with ministers, and was given permission to print the names of these charges in his report.

The recommendations were offered as follows:

- 1. That all ministers indebted to the Board of Ministerial Education meet their obligations as speedily as possible. Adopted.
- 2. That T. R. Woodford be loaned to the Woman's Board of Home Missions; that P. L. Rice be left without an appointment, and L. A. Bennett be left without an appointment for evangelistic work. J. M. Sheridan moved to amend by giving P. L. Rice a supernumerary relation and that the President correspond with him regarding the charge to which he desires to be related. The recommendation was adopted as amended.
- 3. That Paul F. Warner be loaned to the Hawley Memorial Congregational Church. It was adopted with a motion calling the attention of the church to the rule in the Manual relating to the Superannuate Fund appropriation from charges receiving ministerial supply from the Conference.
- 4. That K. K. Haddaway be loaned to the First Church, Southside, Pittsburg. Adopted. Attention called to rule in Manual relating to Loans.
- 5. That J. R. Wright be continued as army chaplain. The motion was carried to adopt and the Secretary communicate with J. R. Wright asking him to communicate with the Conference annually.

The section of the report appreciating the hospitality of the church of Newark was adopted with a rising vote.

An amendment was offered that we express our appreciation of the space given for Conference news in the Newark Evening News and the Baltimore Sun. The amendment was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

A motion was made that the Secretary be authorized to receive and print the report of the Treasurer of the Peninsula Church Extension Society. The motion was carried.

A resolution (See Resolution 11) was offered that the Board of Finance be requested to publish the list of charges with their full assess-

ment in the Methodist Protestant as soon as possible. The resolution was adopted.

The Minutes were read and approved at 11.20 p.m. The President announced the committees for the coming year. The President read the Plan of Appointments at 11.45 p.m. The President called the Conference to the altar for a prayer of consecration which was offered by J. M. Gill and the Conference was dismissed with the benediction by the President.

G. I. HUMPHREYS,

JAS. H. STRAUGHN,

Secretary.

President.

REPORTS

Report A

THE PRESIDENT

THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH:

Dear Brethren:

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you. Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel, from the first day until now; Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you, will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; for God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God."

And I would that you shall understand, my brethren, that without reserve I have expended myself in body, mind and spiritual resource; for I have come to know what Paul meant when he spoke of "the care of the churches." But it has been an exhilirating year for it has been one of rare privilege, a labor of love, indeed. For you who have been in the churches it has been a difficult year. We are living in a time of reaction from the strain and tenseness of war times. Our minds are exhausted and our spirits flag. We want to be let alone. The weariness common to almost every phase of national life has reached the churches.

But we cannot be let alone and this Conference should see the most daring ventures of faith of many years. The world's distress is the church's opportunity. No topic of life is under wider discussion and review than religion and while conditions are plastic we must mold them unto the fashion of the Cross.

They That Sleep in Jesus.

This conference never adjourns without the thought that some, perhaps, will never meet with us again on earth. The year was well advanced, however, before the angels came and took any of us away.

On January 17, 1921, early in the morning, Rev. Jesse W. Norris closed his eyes in final sleep. Weary and worn with long suffering, utterly tired, enduring more than most mortals ever know, he came unto a

blessed rest. This son of a Methodist Protestant minister came into the fellowship of this Conference in 1884. Through the years between he was a faithful minister of Jesus Christ and now at the age of sixty-four he has gone to a higher ministry, respected and loved.

Rev. Edward L. Beauchamp, the happy hearted pastor of Christ Church, Baltimore, smiling, affable, industrious, successful, went away the afternoon of February 7, 1921; nor can we think of him as dead, but just away. We cannot escape the pathos of his going. He was thirty-six years old, having united with the Conference in 1909, and we needed him much; there seemed so many things for him to do. And I doubt not that he is doing them; he is almost greater in death than in life and the influence of his personality will abide for many years. May God in His tender grace keep watch over the little home.

Mrs. Robert S. Rowe, who walked long years with Jesus, died February 10, 1921. She was lonely. Her husband, Rev. Robert S. Rowe, left her nine years ago. The friends of her youth had nearly all gone. Her's was the ripeness of age and the fruit fell from the tree; the flower was full blown and the petals dropped away; harvest time had come.

The exile is at home.

O nights and days of tears,

O longings not to roam,
O sins, and doubts, and fears—

What matter now when, so men say,
The King has wiped those tears away."

Official Acts

UNSUPPLIED CHARGES. Soon after the rise of Conference the following appointments were made:

Cambridge Circuit, Earle Cummings. Crumpton, C. M. Kelser. Indian River, Dorsey Blake. Lewistown, M. L. Smith. Patapsco, J. S. Endicott.

As I was unable to find a supply for Tyrenna the local church made arrangements with Rev. W. H. Hopkins, of Lynchburg, for service and I requested Rev. J. L. Ward to give the church as much supervision as possible. Lewes, early in the summer, employed Brother W. D. Wilson, a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church, an arrangement to which I assented. Campbell, Greensboro and Talbot, which have been without services for a number of years, have been without supply.

CHANGES DURING THE YEAR. Rev. C. R. Dutton applied on May 3 for a release from Lawsonia and it was granted. The appointment has been supplied with preaching by Brother Horace Nelson, of that church and Rev. C. M. Adams has had supervision. Union Church on Pocomoke Circuit refused to accept the Conference supply and was without appointment until the fall when the pastor, being unable to supply the church, and the quarterly conference gave their consent to the appoint-

ment of Rev. G. A. Morris to Union Church for the remainder of the year, with the distinct understanding that Union should continue to co-operate with the rest of the charge. Rev. C. M. Kelser was released from Crumpton on October 1 to continue his studies at the Seminary and shortly after the charge was put under the care of Rev. J. R. McKeawn, of Queen Anne. September 22, 1920, Rev. K. K. Haddaway was given a release from Broadway-Lauraville, and after a very earnest effort to supply a successor it was thought better to continue the churches with separate pastors, Rev. J. P. Adams, appointed as assistant to the charge at Conference, was continued as pastor of Lauraville and Rev. Claiborne Phillips was appointed as the preacher for Broadway.

TRANSFER AND WITHDRAWAL. The transer of Rev. W. H. Hodges from the West Virginia Conference was received immediately after adjournment of our Conference. You instructed me to secure the credentials of Rev. J. T. Moore, who left the Conference last year but I have not been able to locate him. Hearing that Rev. W. L. Jump, left without appointment last year, was actively at work with another denomination I wrote him suggesting that if he were able to work he should do so within his own church. No acknowledgment came from the letter and I wrote the second time. His reply admitted his interest elsewhere and asked that his name be discontinued from our roll. I recommend that it be done.

In obedience to your instructions I met with the quarterly conference on Liberty Charge relative to the use of funds secured through the sale of Walkerville Church on that charge. After a second meeting with the quarterly conference it was decided to set aside the money for the sole use of erection of houses of worship, as provided by the law of the church, to be administered by the charge.

At the end of February, 1921, a letter was sent out to the pastors to be delivered to the proper officials of their charges relative to the plan for Conference entertainment, as directed by the Conference...

Official Activities

INTER-CHURCH WORLD MOVEMENT. The matter of first concern after Conference was the Inter-Church Campaign, in which I cooperated with the Forward Movement Commission and put back of the campaign whatever of authority vested in my office. Interpretations of the action taken by the Conference were sent to all pastors, the Conference was directed and visited by groups of speakers, carrying literature, posters and exhibiting lantern slides. The action of the General Conference, after the practical collapse of the movement itself, followed by the action of the General Boards and Conference Presidents in Baltimore directing the Inter-Church subscriptions to the General Conference budget made any further activity inadvisable. In the summer I sent out a questionnaire to all pastors and recevied 97 replies, 50 not replying. Forty churches reported a total subscription of \$28,603, the other 57 declining to participate in the movement. I have brought the questionnaire to Conference for the benefit of any committee that may wish to use them. The failure of the financial part of this movement has somewhat beclouded our minds

to the vast blessing the church has received in many ways. The emphasis upon Christian unity; the world vision which has become a habit of thinking! that vast unreached half of the world, spread out in that inerasable map of orange and black; the compulsion of the stewardship of life and property to bless the church for generations; these, and many more values have we received. In recent months I have seen in the homes of our pastors two volumes of the world survey sent out gratuitously by the organization. I trust they will not remain unread for in these books is information enough to startle one into a new conception of responsibility to Christ and the church.

THE PRESIDENT'S ITINERARY. The record can be set down quickly:

Quarterly Conference held	33
Preaching services	244
Miscellaneous addresses	22
Group Meeting addresses	23
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A total of	322

In addition to these I have held many minor conferences with officials, addressed Sunday schools, C. E. and Missionary societies. I have visited every charge in the Conference, once, some several times, except Campbell where we have no churches, Talbot and Greensboro, closed for years. The day I was to be at Nichols Memorial, Glenburnie and Marley there was a violent snow storm. Brother Louis Randall went to Chesaco Park for me and Dr. J. M. Sheridan preached at St. Paul's, although I had previously visited the charge.

THE GROUP MEETINGS of officials inaugurated this year have given me a wide opportunity for direct approach to those who are entrusted . with the well being of our churches. At these meetings I discussed the meaning and privilege of official life in the spiritual and financial leadership of the church. There were twenty of the smaller groups, in which from four to eight charges participated. They were held at Parksley, Pocomoke City, Salisbury, Laurel, Milford, Dover, Hebron, Cambridge, Easton, Centreville, Chestertown, Wilmington, Philadelphia, Washington, Westminster, Montgomery Chapel on Kemptown Charge, Fawn Grove, Hopewell Church on Susquehanna, Crisfield and Federalsburg; twenty in all attended by over 1,200 officials. Two larger area groups were held also, one at Salisbury for the Peninsula, the other in Baltimore, for Baltimore and the Western Shore; 150 at the former and over 200 at the latter. I cannot discuss these meetings in detail except to say that perhaps the largest contribution is what I prefer to call "The Group Mind" in dealing with conference and church affairs. The other group meetings for College and High School pupils of Baltimore in a discussion of life work should be fruitful.

MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL SURVEYS. A study of the assessments for a period of the last ten years in relation to both charges and pastors shows: That only 51 charges have a perfect record for that period,

of which 41 are stations and 10 circuits. Ten charges have not been on the Honor Roll in as many years. Of the pastors who have served for the ten continuous years only 33 are on the Honor Roll, while 53 is the number if we consider those who have served only a part of the time.

In membership studies we find that when reviewed from the standpoint of net gain or net los there are for the ten-year period 91 pastors
whose work shows a net gain totaling 9.024. There are 42 pastors whose
work shows minus, a net loss to the churches they served, totaling 2,101.
Many explanations may be offered, chief of which is, that some men never
keep their records clean, leaving it to their successors to bear the responsibility of the loss, while some others seem to take particular pleasure in
pruning the lists. More could be said in explanation but all cannot be
explained away. I am troubled in heart to believe that we have lost the
passion of Christ for the unsaved, that too often we have yielded to
the temptation to a material ministry or succumbed to that more sinister
and deadly professionalism wherein we cease to be evangels. I have no
names to give out but let every man turn to his own record, examine his
own soul for that record is on high.

I am convinced at the end of a full year's work of the wisdom of the resolution passed at the last Conference affecting the service of the president. It is true I have tried to be on every field but that was because I felt I should have knowledge of the entire field before being able to discern where my time and efforts could be the more profitably spent. If the Conference desires to utilize its president the more fully it could do so by providing him with an office and a secretary. I could have done so much more if I could have followed up, my visits to the charges, I have visited. Church work has become so intensified and the District so large that a president has to spread himself out very thin. I cannot duplicate this year in detail but certainly with greater effectiveness can I serve under the elasticity of your last action.

The General Church

The last General Conference was, like the one at Zanesville, a forward looking body. Perhaps we have done nothing more significant than to introduce over the entire denomination a kind of superintendency, or better a visible connectionalism. The need has been apparent for years but we lacked the courage to act. In the election of an honored member of this body to the presidency of the General Conference we have a natural pride but our confidence that a man has found his task is our larger feeling. Out of this arrangement there should come large accretions of denominational good, the closer union and sympathy, the greater accomplishments because of co-ordinated effort and the development of a wider policy and activity. And we hereby voice our desire and pledge ourselves to this greater expansion of our beloved denomination.

MISSIONS. The normal attitude of the church is missionary and without that dominant and regnant in its praying and thinking the church ceases to be Christian. We have four Boards of Missions, the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of Home Missions, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society. These

provide our outlet and afford our only denominational missionary realization. They do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. What individual church can keep faith with God in Japan, or China, or India. What man or woman can even help to win the world save for agencies of this kind! And they are ours, and they are we ourselves. Our Conference has always been widely sympathetic to the missionary appeal and to know that the last quadrennium brought to the Board of Foreign Missions nearly \$146,990.50 in regular channels an advance of \$40,000 and about \$125,000 through the Million Dollar Campaign is a matter of extreme gratification. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reports \$147,703.77 raised during the quadrennium and now has a membership of 7,514, exhibiting an amazing amount of activity. These Boards are now working in Japan, China and India.

The Home Missionary activities are likewise of much interests. The Board of Home Missions received during the quadrennium a grand total of \$257,196.50 with which they established and are maintaining churches all over the country. The Woman's Board has also done fine work, having raised \$22,880.20. To these bodies let us give the fullest measure of support. Dr. Klein is our secretary, Dr. Beck is our secretary, Mrs. Hupfield and Mrs. Dixon are our presidents.

EDUCATION. The Board of Education, the successor to and the enlargement of the Board of Ministerial Education, has a four-year record of large meaning. It has had control of large funds and has taken care of a large number of men studying for the ministry. Perhaps its greatest contribution is an educational policy touching all of our institutions, with a very pronounced effort to bring our people into active sympathy with and support of our own schools. The church can never concede the divorcement of education from the Christian impulse. It is not that we must have denominational text books, but the Bible ought to be a necessary part of every curriculum, and the average text book, wherever published and by whosoever written, is safe in the hands of a Christian teacher. Dr. Miller is a sane leader for the youth of our church. He has sent a report to this Conference which I ask the privilege of sending to the Committee on Education, save that part which relates to the beneficiaries of the Board who are members of the Conference which goes to the Committee on Official Relations.

Of all the institutions of our church none has received more of our devotion than the Western Maryland College. It seems strange indeed that the report of that institution comes to us over the signature of any other than that of T. H. Lewis, so long accustomed have we been to that name in that relation. But we greet with enthusiasm the new name and feel that we can assure to Rev. A. N. Ward that same loyalty and support which has characterized this Conference since the foundation of the school. He brings to us plans for the enlargement of the College that will challenge our deepest faith. This year the school has been overrun with students and there is immediate necessity of enlarging the capacity of the College. A part of the scheme for the development of the College and the extension of its influence begins with an athletic field as good as the finest anywhere. Anyone who has been a student there and who remembers the old grounds will sanction this effort. The first building enterprise will probably be a

girls' dormitory and to finance the same the authorities are about to launch a scholarship plan, the details of which Dr. Ward will himself present. I am sure he will receive from us a most sympathetic hearing.

The Westminster Theological Seminary is housed in as fine a new building as any of our institutions can boast and it is practically paid for. Dr. Elderdice has realized a legitimate ambition, for the effect of such a building upon the students and upon the constituency can only be most wholesome. It was greatly needed. But this institution demands of the church and particularly of the ministry the earnest of its faith; it is the test of our sincerity. What should engage our deepest longing quite so much as the propagation of ourselves in kind! Are we sure the ministry is the highest calling in the gift of God! In the last analysis the matter of men for the ministry is the interest those who are in the ministry take in the subject. Let us fill these halls to the glory of God and the perpetuity of the church.

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION. I confess the only real value I can see in the publication work of the church is the denominational paper and other church literature, and the whole business should be transacted with this in mind. If we are to make money out of the business it is only to give us more and a better literature. We had our birth in a church paper which we acknowledge in the name given to the Methodist Protestant, and more than we perhaps realize the future of the church is involved with the success of the paper. The times have compelled severe conditions in its publication. The way to meet the conditions seemed to be to establish a press, and as this is the 100th anniversary of the paper, the gift of a press would be a fitting recognition. During the year the appeal has gone out and the remarkable response has been a joy to those immediately interested. The plant is in operation. It is imperative now that the paper be adequately circulated. It certainly ought to be on the table of every official of the church, and more, it ought to be in every home of the church. Dr. Benson will bring to you the message of the paper himself. But I feel like adding another word. My belief is that the time is not distant when additional quarters should be sought so that our entire interests may be under one roof. The rent now paid for the plant is an unnecessary drain on the revenues of the paper.

And while discussing our publishing interests I wish very much this Conference would emphatically declare itself in the matter of the advertisements that appear in our Sunday school literature. Free watches, free guns, free diamonds, music made easy. If we must have advertising let it be of another sort or let us have none at all.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK. We are all familiar with the work of this Board but I must speak of certain phases of emphasis now being given. Dr. Dixon is greatly concerned with the cause of life decisions for he realizes that his field, Christian Endeavor Societies and Sunday schools, is the place where we must develop our future leadership. But in addition is his concern for the religious education of our children. It is a fact that practically all of our work with the children is evangelical, to get them into the church. But this is not enough. It should be of the greatest concern to keep them there and that is the problem of education. Why don't we as a denomination insist upon catechetical instruction with all

of our children? Are we sinfully negligent or don't we know how to train our children! God speed this agitation!

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET. We have had a budget for years but this is different. This budget is the measure of the need of our boards and institutions in keeping faith with God. The last General Conference concluded that as a denomination we can and ought to do vastly more than we have ever done. \$500,000 is the sum of this need and \$110,000 is the amount asked of the Maryland Conference and without hesitation I recommend that it be accepted in its entirey and that the proper apportionments be laid. While this sum is apparently ten times that we have ever attempted in the form of assessments for the General Conference work yet when we remember that two of the special interests in our own budget, the College and the Seminary assessments, are covered in the new budget, thereby reducing the size of the Conference budget, that we receive credit on the budget for all missionary moneys raised. such as Children's Day, Easter, Rally Day, Educational Day, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Woman's' Home Missionary Society, which are not now credited to the budget, we shall find that the total of our assessments, while appreciably larger, will not be as large as our fears.

The chairman of the Board of Finance has made for me tabulations of increase as affecting several kinds of charges. As a general rule the new budget will multiply the old totals, not the General Conference budget only, nor the Maryland Conference budget, but the total of all assessments by between three and four times. This is without the credits of Children's Day, specials, etc.

Church No.	1—Present assessment\$713.24 Present specials as credits1000.00	New	\$2653.08
			1713.24
	Net increase, one-half, or		\$940.00
Church No.	2—Present assessment\$400.00 Specials as credits	New	\$1514.00
			550.00
	Net increase, 3 times, or		\$964.00
Church No.	3—Present assessment\$332.18 Special as credits		
			407.18
	Net increase, 3 times, or		\$875.00

From these cases we learn that the percentage of increase on any charge is conditioned by the extra efforts churches have been putting forth and making it very plain that to meet the new budget we must avail ourselves to the fullest extent of every special day as well as enlarge the local budget. But it can be done.

With it, however, must go our faith in ourselves and in God. We must believe in its necessity and determine that because it ought to be done it shall be done. And I solemnly believe its success lies for the

most part with the ministry. We are the natural leaders in any such enterprise as this and we must measure up. But as practical measures we must urge and preach stewardship, the stewardship of money. If we are not ourselves tithers, this is our time. We can't preach what we don't practice nor have we a right to exhort in others what we ourselves may refuse to do.

To this end I further recommend the appointment of a committee which shall act throughout the Conference year, whose business it shall be to circulate information about the budget, its occasion, what it will do. And further to develop stewardship plans, such as reading contests, providing literature, sending speakers, etc. Dr. Johnson, of the Forward Movement Committee, is in the field to aid in this very manner and I trust we shall use him and his office in every possible way.

It is very important that this matter be decided immediately in order that the Board of Finance may be able to do its work.

Maryland Conference Interests

All of the Conference agencies will report of themselves for your consideration but I want to have a word in passing.

THE AGED PEOPLE'S HOME. This is a great institution and demands of us an adequate maintenance. These that have come down the years, and have found here a resting place! They are our very own and they who care for them render a most beautiful ministry. We appointed a committee last year to co-operate with the Board of Managers in a publicity campaign but it should not require much publicity to make us think of this place where money and provisions can do so much good. The Home was to have been a participant in the Inter-Church campaign and underwrote a certain sum. After the diversion of these funds into the General Conference budget in which the Home does not share they were deprived of the means of meeting their underwriting. Mr. Wantz, the treasurer, spoke to me about it and I advised him to pay the amount since they were legally bound for the same and to present the case to this Conference. Equity demands that the home shall be reimbursed, if not by those Boards and Institutions which may be benefitted by the budget, then by this Conference.

THE DEACONESS WORK. Only those who are familiar with the work of our deaconesses can put a sufficient estimate upon their work to the church. These are remarkable women and if there is one lesson learned beyond another it is that there ought to be more of them. I have found them in the churches in many places of the District, I have found them in homes nursing the sick. Wherever they were their work was most acceptable and appreciated. The Board will tell more fully of their studies, will advise you of the finances of the Home and of future needs. Let us give a most willing ear to their appeals.

THE SUMMER CONFERENCE AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE. Here are two groups that are working along kindred lines, the one for the ministry and the other for the laity. They meet at the same time of year and at the same place, College Hill, the one a week before the other. They have worked so well that they have become necessary. The

preachers who attend from year to year have been greatly helped and the sight of a large number of young men and young women making the decision for the ministry and the mission field is an inspiration. This is as it should be. The minister desirous of equipping himself more fully, of making his life more valuable to his church; the youth facing the world's need and declaring the surrender of his all! This year the Summer Conference will be more inviting than ever and I should be glad if this conference could in some way say to its preachers what the state says to its teachers, "You must go to school a little while every year." And, it is my conviction pastors can do a fine thing for their churches in seeing that several of their most promising young peiple find their way to the Institute. Brother Shipley of the Summer Conference and Brother Sexsmith of the Young People's Union will each lay his plans before you.

CHURCH EXTENSION. The Church Extension work of the Conference functions for the most part through the Church Extension Superintendent, Rev. J. M. Sheridan. Our paths have crossed many times this year and I have found him abundantly faithful to his vision of the church. Other agencies are the Board of Managers, with whom I have met several times, the Peninsula Church Extension Society and a newly formed Western Maryland Church Extension Society. The details of the various services given by these will come in their own reports. The outstanding features of the year, however, are the Peninsula Church at Wilmington, the newest of our undertakings, and the Broadway development. In the latter case it seemed to be unwise to continue the Broadway-Lauraville merger as was proposed at the last Conference, in that it became apparent Broadway's people could not be taken to the new location. Broadway sought from Lauraville a release in order that it might establish itself somewhere in the neighborhood of its people, the result of it being a proposal to Bethany Church for a union. This seemed agreeable and the two congregations are coming to this Conference asking for the ratification of this decision. Lauraville responded beautifully to the situation by the purchase of one of the most valuable church locations in Baltimore and are determined to meet the great opportunity their neighborhood affords. The Peninsula Church in its first year has made a great record. The church has a membership of over 100, has raised \$4,500 during the year and now proposes to accept the full support of their pastor, \$2,400, for the coming year. This is the most daring people I know and puts to shame some long established congregations. This sort of thing means a great church for Wilmington in a very short while.

SUPERANNUATED FUND AND MUTUAL RELIEF. The special committee on the \$100,000 fund for the superannuate invested fund will report their plans. But I do feel that we have not been fair with the superannuates. In all these years when dollars shrank so much in value, our superannuates have not received an additional penny. They ought to have more and I hope the year will not go by without the early projection of this effort to increase the revenues of the society. The Mutual Relief Society continues its helpful ministry and is a great friend in a time of need.

THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY AND THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY will make their reports. Nothing of any unusual interest has come to my attention but they will deserve remembrance in any review of the Conference work.

THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. The women of the Guild were kind enough to give the new occupants of the parsonage a reception soon after Conference and I wish here to express our appreciation. The Guild has also added some things to the furnishings of the house. An appeal was sent out to the various Aid Societies of the Conference requesting larger subscriptions for the upkeep of the parsonage as it was found that the one dollar payments were netting not enough money. From this appeal about \$175 was realized. The Agent will make his report but I may add that some interior painting has been done and a garage built with cement walk. As there were no funds available I have carried the interest on the loan of \$500 necessary for the improvements.

President Bowers in his report of 1913 recommended the immediate sale of the parsonage and the committee concurred. The Trustees were authorized to proceed but the transaction was never completed. I am sure I voice the opinion of many in saying that we ought to be seeking a new location. Community changes and other considerations are making it almost imperative. I submit the matter for your consideration.

State of the Church

MATERIAL CONDITIONS. THE ASSESSMENTS. At the close of the last Conference I threw out the slogan "Every charge on the Honor Roll" if regularly supplied. During the year pastors and churches have not been permitted to forget and it seems we shall have the greatest response we have ever known. Some charges which have forgotten the time they paid 100 per cent, if they ever did, are on the Roll this year, some of them under the most difficult conditions and in a year of financial depression. Unfortunately some charges did not begin soon enough, but it seems now that all will be there, except 23 and of these, only 14 were regularly supplied. The 14 follow; Chincoteague, Concord, Felton, Frederick, Greenwood, Laurel Circuit, Mardela, Mt. Nebo, Northumberland, Oak Grove, Prince George, Queen Anne and Warwick. The nine not regularly supplied follow: Campbell, Lawsonia, Crumpton, Greensboro, Lewistown, Middleway, Selbyville, Tyreanna and West Wilmington.

This means more to us than the actual money involved. As a general rule it is true that the payment of these benevolences is frequently a question of understanding them, knowing what they are for. I am glad for this showing but I wish every charge could be listed 100 per cent.

PASTOR'S SALARIES. Thirty-six charges show a gain of about \$9,000.00 in pastoral support. To me this is exceedingly interesting. Only three or four charges show a tendency to reduce. In conversation with one quarterly conference it was said that instead of being increased salaries were being cut down all over the country. I replied by saying that when the apple is already nothing but core there is small chance of paring off any meat. The time is coming when the agitation for pastoral support

must cease but it must be adequate when that time does come. I shall have occasion to refer to this subject a little later on. It is interesting to inform you, however, that we now have 81 charges paying over \$1,200. and parsonage; 88 paying over \$1,100 and parsonage; 110 paying over \$1,000 and parsonage. And in addition some of them have placed automobiles at the disposition of the pastor, thus eliminating one of the heavy expense items of the pastorate.

DEBTS AND IMPROVEMENTS. The churches have begun to react from the war time conditions and appeals and from the suspension of local enterprises made necessary by the Million Dollar Campaign. Amounts paid on old debts aggregate approximately \$35,000, those raising \$500 and over being: Evergreen; Trinity, Baltimore; Sharptown; Cambridge; Cumberland; Mt. Tabor; Starr; St. John's; Cherrydale; Marley; Dover; Lynchburg; Eutaw; Laurel Circuit; South Baltimore; Chesaco Park; Wilton Heights; First Church, Washington; Rhode Island Avenue.

For Building and Improvements this year the total will reach nearly \$150,000. These charges have expended and contracted for more than \$500: Whaleyville; Conquest; Starr; Denton; St. John's; St. James; Peninsula Church; Emmanuel; Grove; Marley; Dorchester; Lynchburg; Potomac; West Baltimore; Hampden; Pittsville; North Carolina Avenue; Bivalve; Howard; Eutaw; Chesaco Park; Newark, East Baltimore; Evergreen; Lisbon; Atlantic on New Church; Keene Memorial; Nichols Memorial and Glenburnie; Violetville; Taylor Memorial; Parksley; St. Luke's; Delmar; Franklin City; Harper's Ferry; Cumberland; Lowe Memorial; Payson Street; Easton; Rhode Island Avenue.

Of particular interest may be mentioned: Mt. Olivet on Potomac has added a modern Sunday school house and renovated the entire property with a corner-stone laying, at a cost of \$15,000. The Sharptown Church has been dedicated, freed of debt. Cambridge Church has burnt the last mortgage note. Mt. Zion, on Grove, has a splendid new church on the stone road at Ellwood Station and has been dedicated at a cost of over \$3,000. Hallwood Church is a fine, new, attractive structure costing over \$13,000, and the day of corner-stone laying showed practically \$10,000 subscribed to the enterprise. Atlantic Church, on New Church Charge, is nearing completion at a cost of perhaps \$30,000. Taylor Memorial has made a very necessary improvement in the addition, costing over \$9,000. Indian River is building a most attractive church to cost around \$5,000. Christ Church, Baltimore, has also paid its last cent of debt, burned the notes and the church has been dedicated. Emmanuel has a fine new location on which a comfortable tabernacle has been reared and have funds in hand with which to begin the new church. Broadway and Bethany are looking forward to a handsome new building that will take care of our East Baltimore work for many years. Lauraville has purchased a lot costing \$5,750. Salisbury's debt of \$17,500 in the purchase of a new location has been met and plans are under way for the new church; Payson Street has a new location costing \$14,000. Other churches are contemplating buildings, purchase of lots, the outcome of which will soon appear.

BEQUESTS. Centreville Church has completed a settlement with the

heirs of Dr. Robert M. Price by which the church comes into immediate possession of over \$17,000. The St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek Society have continued their helpful ministry to the pastors of this Conference.

MILLION DOLLAR FUND. Replies to my cards asking for the amount of unpaid subscriptions to this interest show approximately \$50,000 as yet due, while many pastors replied they didn't know what the amount was. I have urged our pastors through the year to get this money in as rapidly as possible. And it seems to me the Conference should take action whereby through a short, decisive period as much of this money shall be collected as possible. I know we shall be met with the statement which has come to me with much frequency, that most of it is not collectible and that all has been done that can be done. Some of it is certainly good and it ought to be gotten.

METHODS OF FINANCE. We must systematize our giving and churches must see that their affairs are not conducted as they were fifty years ago. The old quarterly system is intolerable. I know all the objections to the budget system. I have heard them repeated categorically every where I have been. There are no objections that are real except the objector; the man or the men who simply won't do it. But we must continue to urge the method. In reply to my card there are, it seems, 104 churches of the 292 which use some form of budget, and that is a wide definition. Our pastors can help immensely by becoming familiar with the system, knowing what it is themselves. Certainly we shall not be able to meet our obligations to the General Conference budget and our other undertakings until we come to some such procedure.

SPIRITUAL RESULTS. These are not easy of tabulations nor is it possible to reduce to figures the actual work of a pastor or of a church. But we should not take too large refuge in such a statement. Many evidences of spiritual achievement do appear and it is small comfort not to be able to say, thus and so was done this year.

In my preaching I have reiterated what I believe to be the outstanding need not only of the world but of the churches themselves; a reawakened experience of grace and love; the rebirth of that first surprise of sins forgiven. Many of our pastors and laymen have been worried. Time and again they have asked me about conditions elsewhere. The report cards from 129 charges are to me, however, revealing; there have been many revivals, the total of conversions being 3,040 and of accessions 2,861. How great the increase may be I don't know for there have been many revisions of registers and many churches will show a net loss for the year. Charges which show as many as fifty conversions are: Nichols Memorial and Glenburnie; Federalsburg; First Church, Newark; Amelia; Bethany; Quantico; Whaleyville; Cambridge; Mariners; Susquehanna; St. Michaels; Concord; Salisbury; South Baltimore; Hampden; Crisfield; Milford; Starr.

MORAL REFORM. It is unnecessary that I should attempt to review the great moral issues expressed in the one instance in the passage of the Volstead act and in the other the attempt to commercialize the Lord's Day. In neither case has the issue reached a final setting. We face a great resentment as church people for outlawing the liquor business. We are held responsible for a new crime and for the creation of a new class of criminals. But while the churches are willing to accept the responsibility for the destruction of the liquor traffic we do not concede that we are the occasion of a new crime, only that we have under the grace of God been able to provoke a new conscience. The liquor traffic has always been a crime, even though legalized, and the present condition is only the recognition of that crime. The issue now is perfectly clear, legally and morally the business is outlawed. In our report on Moral Reform I trust we will make ourselves quite understood in the demand for the enforcement of the law by State and Federal officials, and in the assurance of our support to all those agencies to which are committed the practical details of this struggle.

The church has also a most acute situation to deal with in the protection of the Lord's Day. This is a problem within the church as well as without. That there is great desecration of the day by church people no one can deny and that there is a great determination to commercialize the day from without is likewise apparent. These tendencies are most apparent in our cities where there is less public conscience to compel the enforcement of laws that already exist. There isn't the slightest reason for opening grocery stores, delicatessen shops, bakery and confectionary places. There is no necessity for Sunday baseball or motion pictures. The church recognizes the fact that people can't be compelled to goodness through legislation or restriction but the church can declare the counsel of God, can voice a conscience for where else shall we look for the paths of righteousness and save ourselves and our nation from the viciousness of those who would betray both God and man for the sake of personal gain.

But perhaps the chief concern of the church lies in the spirit of the times. We are in a period of transition characterized for the most part by uncertainty and restlessness. The reflex of the feverish days of war and the vast international unrest have brought us to the place where we can't get back to what was nor lay hold of that which is to be; "between two worlds, one dead and the other waiting to be born." It would be folly to say that this has not reached the church. We feel we ought to do something yet know not what it is. Some of us want to be let alone, we are tired. We have been talked to, exhorted, compelled, persuaded, threatened; we have been through so much. We are living in the day after. Preachers are affected as well. They too are restless and ill at ease. Some are thinking that they and their churches have done enough and it is time they were beginning to look after their own interests. They feel called upon to stand between their flock and that mysterious, suspected group called "They." But these days are yielding to preachers the supremest opportunity of their lives for ours ought to be the one certain voice of the times. This is God's moment. This is no time for us to withdraw, and hide ourselves away in safe complacency. This is not an hour for defense, this is the moment for the greatest offensive in the world's history; for the first time we have a world mind, and that is the mind of Christ. It is the first business of the preacher to interpret that mind to his people.

We demand of governments today the international mind and would have adjustments made in the interests of a world peace. We must insist as well that the church exercise that same thinking. Yes, this is the day of the preacher, the man who has a message, the man who can tell an angel blocking his way to the pulpit what he has come there for. And you men who are called to the ministry are called to preach. You have no excuse for unpreparedness; you have no right to excuse yourselves in that you have many duties to perform. Many of those things could well be left undone. The world is to be saved by the foolishness of preaching. I have gone into some parsonages and been dismayed at the absence of signs of study and research. The demand of the laity is for men who can preach, who have something to say, and the most widespread criticism of preachers today is that they can't preach. Such an observation should challenge the deepest and best that is in us.

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A Suggested Program

I have had the opportunity of seeing the Conference in its entirety. I have had the time to study the Conference in relation to the task it has set itself to. You have made this possible for me and what I bring you now comes not only out of my observation of this year but of my study of the Conference for the many years I served it in the secretarial relation. I am anxious that we shall prepare ourselves for the largest service and utilize to the fullest extent the resources that are ours. We are wasting men and money; men in that in rural charges particularly we are compelling them to serve three, four and frequently five churches. can mean not much more than a superficial ministry for their churches are open only every two weeks and often only once a month. exacted of the modern preacher is so intensive that churches cannot reach any very considerable development under such conditions. He can't concentrate anywhere. No man can serve four churches well. We are wasting money in that we maintain churches where there is great overlapping. In other days, when communities were isolated, it was important to have many small churches but now communities frequently desert the church that is at their door. What seems to me now to be the need is not more churches but better churches; churches that interpret the community's need and that get more of the preacher. I therefor suggest to you the advisability of regrouping our charges about the proposition: a preaching service in every church at least once every week. mean in some cases withdrawing from some fields where the field is amply churched; it may mean in other cases the consolidation of nearby churches. Many churches have said to me, "We can't live if we can't be open every Sunday. Give us more preaching and we will pay better salaries." The matter of more preachers and their salaries will find its solution in the working out of the problem. This can't be done in a year; it will require several years. No matter how long it takes it ought to be done.

Last year President Warner's recommendation that a committee be appointed to study the country church problem was passed but through some inadvertence the appointment of the committee was overlooked. A few weeks ago my attention was called to the oversight. This recommendation I feel is in line, however, with what is here proposed. The problem of 125 rural churches open only every two weeks for preaching certainly requires some study.

As a second proposition I bring to you the advisability of a wider Conference supervision over the physical interests of the District. church extension work for the most part has grown out of the accident of discovery, as men have found opportunities of opening up new places. As a conference we ought to be thoroughly familiar with the topography of our territory in relation to churches already established. It is important at this time, due to the new stone road systems of Maryland and Delaware in particular. We must place our churches on the lanes of travel, for the new roads will isolate many communities and bury many churches. As an additional proposition I feel we ought to have some relation with every building project proposed; in the matter of locations, kinds of churches, etc. This seems to me our right and grows out of the theory that in the Conference the interests of all churches fuse. well being of one church becomes a definite help to all whereas the default of another brings definite burdens. It is true for the most part that local congregations should be free to follow their own desire but every church depends on this Conference for its very life. We are in a partnership.

Related to these matters is the cause of the preacher's support. We can't have churches without preachers and we can't have preachers without a living wage. If preachers have become what seems commercialized it is only because they have not been sufficiently protected from unnecessary inconvenience and deprivation. Most of the men I know are not asking for luxury but only a living. \$1,200 is hardly a living for a married man but it seems much to some churches only because the preacher has been willing to work for so little. I feel we ought to be able to say to every married man, in regular standing with the Conference, "We will guarantee you a minimum salary of \$1,200."

The Conference has appropriated in ten years \$56,875 for church extension, of which \$25,825 has been used on pastors' salaries, almost one half. The principle of supplementing salaries has been recognized for years and what has been done for some I would have extended to all. It may not seem advisable to you to make the guarantee this year \$1,200 but I do believe it should be no less than \$1,100, becoming \$1,200 next year. I have a salary chart which will assist in working out the amounts which may be needed for either guarantee.

But even this will not solve the problem of the church, no amount of physical readjustments can. They can afford only the basis of work and provide a setting. It is all of no use unless people are being saved. And to this great objective of the church we must bend our every energy. Two years ago this Conference passed a resolution detaching the President from the usual itinerary and placing in his hands every minister of this Conference to raise a quarter of a million of dollars. And it was a triumphant success. Now we shall see if we are better solicitors of money than winnowers of souls. I propose that this Conference place in the

hands of a designated body, every preacher of the Conference who shall be required to give, if needed, at least two weeks' of srvice for evangelistic service. It is this sort of church extension that we must do or we shall be face to face with church extinction. Such an arrangement will give us the opportunity of getting underneath some churches that have been crying out for help and setting forward many churches that occupy fields of opportunity. It will also start an evangelistic impulse that should thrill every church in the Conference.

I therefore propose as definite recommendations what I am pleased to call

A Policy of Co-ordination

Recommendations

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- 1. (a) That it is the sense of the Maryland Conference that all the churches of the District shall have for their regular schedule a preaching service at least once every Sabbath, and (b) that the churches should be so regrouped into charges or to carry into effect this conviction just as rapidly as it may be found expedient and possible.
- 2. That a Board of Survey be appointed by the President of the Conference consisting of five ministers and five laymen, with the President of the Conference ex-officio a member with voting power, which shall be charged with the following duties:
- a. To enter upon a study and investigation of the present arrangement of charges with a view to such regrouping as is indicated in the above recommendation, a preaching service in every church at least once every Sabbath, and shall report to the next Annual Conference the result of its findings.
- b. To make a survey of the topography of the District covered by the Conference, its towns, probable towns, railroads, improved stone roads, etc., with relation to the natural development of our Conference, and be prepared to indicate to the Conference, from time to time, places where churches are or may be needed and where we may strengthen our borders.
- c. This Board shall have a necessary advisory relation with all future building enterprises of the churches of the Conference (including relocations, remodelings, parsonges) and shall have laid before it for consultation and advice all the plans and specifications of such enterprises before being entered upon.
- d. This Board, as a part of its duties, shall secure plans and specifications of church and parsonage structures such as shall meet the demands of modern church work and shall at all times be prepared with constructive help in such cases.
- 3. That the Manual be amended, Duties of Pastors, Regulation 1, by the addition of the following item, being item 13: All pastors are required

to submit in detail to the Board of Survey all plans they or their churches may have for new church buildings and parsonages, remodeling or extensive improvements, locations for buildings, etc., for advice and counsel, before giving their consent to or proceeding with the execution of their plans. This is done that churches may have advantage of the study and experience of the Conference in all such matters. Further,, no church shall receive any appropriation from Conference funds until this Board of Survey shall have reviewed their plans and passed favorably upon the same.

4. That this Board of Survey become a Standing Committee with the Conference of 1922 and that it come to the said Conference with such additions, modifications and amendments to its present duties as the experience of the year may indicate to be advisable and as shall avoid overlapping with and duplication of the duties of the Church Extension Society and Church Extension Committee.

II. PASTORS' SALARIES.

- 1. That this Conference exercise its Disciplinary right in the matter of pastoral support and hereby declares an amendment to the Manual, Regulation 1, Duties of Pastors, by adding the following item, being item 14: All married pastors of this Conference in full and regular standing shall be guaranteed a minimum salary of \$1,200 and parsonage, and that where the charge either cannot or will not pay the said amount this Conference undertakes to pay out of Conference funds the difference between the amount the charge pays and the said \$1,200, except in cases where pastors agree to serve for less than the minimum salary to accommodate personal situations.
- 2. That for this Conference year (1921-1922) the minimum salary be fixed at \$1,100 and parsonage and that all charges be notified of this action by the Conference, and that for the Conference year beginning April 1922 and thereafter the above rule of \$1,200 and parsonage shall obtain. (Note.—This item was amended on the floor of the Conference to make the \$1,200 salary effective with this Conference year, 1921-1922.)
- 3. That all charges which pay less than the above amount of minimum salary shall be styled "Delinquent Charges" and shall be listed with the report of the Conference Steward.
- 4. That the Church Extension assessment be enlarged in such proportion as shall be requisite to meet the above rule.
- 5. That Rule II, item 14, Duties of the President, of the Manual be amended to strike out \$1,000 and insert \$1,200 as the sum which the President shall urge upon quarterly conferences as a minimum support.

III. EVANGELISM.

1. All pastors of the Conference shall be required to give at least two weeks of their time for evangelistic service during the year if needed, under the direction of the Committe on Evangelism hereinafter designated.

3. That a Standing Committee on Evangelism be added to the list, Manual Rule 5, item 21, three ministers, three laymen, which committee shall also be an adinterim committee, and of which committee the President of the Conference shall be an ex-officio member with voting power. This committee shall be charged with the following duty: To inaugurate a series of tent meetings (perhaps six tents) throughout the Conference district during the summer months (say June, July, August) designating places, supplying tents and preachers, etc., all such meetings to work in conjunction with the local pastor and church, if there be any. And further, during the year, to be able to respond to requests for assistance from such churches as may be made. It is understood that the committee will give pastors at least three weeks notice of their appointment.

With an earnest prayer to God for His blessing upon us, I am, Faithfully your servant,

JAS. H. STRAUGHN.

OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We have examined carefully the magnificent report of the President of this Conference, and note with interest the progressive tone of his utterances. Our hope is that, as members of the Conference, we will "not be disobedient to the heavenly vision" which he presents to us.

In view of the action of the Conference last year, releasing the President from the task of visiting all the charges, we heartily commend him for the zeal and activity which have taken him into every charge, and in many cases several times.

The novel plan of getting the officials of the churches, and of the various sections of our Conference territory together from time to time in groups, for the full discussion of such matters as are most vital to the success of the churches and of the Conference, we believe to be a forward step which deserves perpetuation.

We are gratified to learn of the general missionary awakening and increased efforts toward missionary education in the churches, and believe that it is a sign of a wider view of the greatest task that faces the church.

We salute our "Mother" beloved, the Methodist Protestant, on her one hundredth anniversary, and wish for her not only many happy returns of the day, but much more substantial returns in the form of her needed printing plant, and a place for our centenarian "Mother" in every home of the members of our churches, even if it should require placing this obligation in the budgets of the churches.

We agree with the President literally in his reference to the objectionable forms of advertising in our Sunday school periodicals, and respectfully call the attention of those responsible for this very unpopular and offensive manner of financing our publication interests, urging them to correct this feature without delay.

We heartily concur in the plan and purpose of the General Conference in laying an increased budget for the work of the General Boards of the church, as conveyed to us in the report of the President of this Conference, but your committee feels that the additional amount for such purposes cannot be passed upon by this committee, but should be decided by the Conference itself.

We concur in the President's recommendation relative to the appointment of a committee on the General Conference Budget, with the President as chairman, which committee shall have authority to compel all charges to give serious attention to the budget, and act with Dr. Johnson of the Forward Movement Commission in accomplishing the part we have assumed in the resolution on the budget.

We agree with the President that our Aged People's Home deserves more adequate maintainence, and suggest that provision be made without delay for its reimbursement for losses incurred in the adjustment of the Inter-Church Movement, and call the attention of the General Boards to this equity.

We recommend the activity of the church in its Church Extension work, and especially commend the splendid work done at Wilmington during the past year. The heroism of these people in assuming the entire amount of the pastor's salary for another year—\$2,400 a year—is worthy of emulation by the churches of this Conference. We think the Conference should get squarely behind this work, and lend its assistance in every possible way.

We note the President's reference to the condition and location of the President's Parsonage, and recommend that the action of the 1913 session relative thereto be re-affirmed, and that the Conference Trustees be directed to take as speedy action as possible. We recommend that the interest paid by the President upon the loan for parsonage improvement be refunded to him by the agent of the Parsonage.

The President's efforts to bring about an adequate increase in pastoral support deserve the commendation of this Conference, and the co-operation of the official boards of the churches that are not providing the necessary support of their pastors. We suggest the reference of the President's recommendation concerning a minimum salary for pastors to the Committee on Church Extension.

We regret exceedingly to learn that one-fifth of the subscriptions to the Million Dollar Fund are not yet paid, and urge the pastors and delegates to present the matter to their official boards for immediate action.

The emphasis upon the local church budget laid by the President upon the officials of the churches throughout the year deserves special attention, and we hope that within another year, every charge of the Conference will be using the budget system.

We express our joy at the number of conversions reported by the President, and express the hope that the evangelistic note will be sounded more distinctly than ever in all our pulpits during the coming year.

We note the reference to so many of our churches in rural sections which have less than one service a week, and hope that provision may soon be made to correct this unfortunate condition so long prevalent.

Recommendations

- I. We endorse the recommendation of the appointment of a Board of Survey with all its requisite functions.
- II. We concur in the recommendation of the President, relative to pastor's salaries.
- III. We heartily endorse the President's recommendation on Evangelistic program.

GEORGE E. BROWN,
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OF THE AGENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

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June 6, Baker, Watts, Loan	500.00	
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April 9, Vail and Young, Garage	316.54	
E. E. Hoppe, Cementing	104.80	
17, Frank R. Lare, Painting	68.00	
Sept. 6, Baker, Watts, 3 mos. note	500.00	
Dec. 1, William Mitchell, Plumbing	6.61	
Jan. 6, Baker, Watts (renewal of note of Sept.)	500.00	
Feb. 19, Dan'l Loden, Water bill	12.50	\$1,517.57
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Liabilities.

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After Conference the President presented a bill of \$42.00 for moving expenses. Because there was no provision in the Manual for the Agent to use his funds for this purpose I did not pay the amount and submit the case to the Conference for decision.

HARRY K. MULLER, Agent.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

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RelianceF RowlandvilleL. E. Bee	. M. Clift (Supply)	3 2	Woman's Home Missic ciety, T. R. Woodford	onary So-	Yrs. - . 3
SalemJ. V SalisburyR. I Seaford, DelS	. Shipley	3 3 1	Chaplain, United Stat J. R. Wright	es Army	. 4
Selbyville, DelTo be SharptownG. R. I	supplied Donaldson	2	First M. P. Church, So Pittsburgh, Pa., K. I way		
Snow HillC. R. St Stewartstown, Pa.,	tocksdale	3	Hawley Memorial Churc rey, Pa., Paul F. Wa		1
St. James'Avery St. MichaelsG. E. M	Donovan cDorman	4 2	Superannuat		Yrs.
SusquehannaJ. I TalbotTo be TexasW. S. Simms	supplied		J. W. Gray A. W. Mather W. D. Litsinger	************	. 7
TrinityGeor Tyreanna, VaTo be	ge Hines supplied	2	J. L. Mills W. M. Strayer		7
Union BridgeW. Wallace Memorial, W. F.	S. Hanks	1	J. M. Holmes F. H. Mullineaux F. T. Tagg	•••••	5
Warwick	. Cullum	2	G. J. Sullivan G. F. Farring		22
CherrydaleW. M. First ChurchC. M.	Compher	3	C. E. McCullough W. N. Sherwood J. L. Elderdice		. 3
GeorgetownB. Mt. TaborE. T North Carolina Ave.,	F. Ruley	1	G. Q. Bacchus G. J. Hill		1
Rhode Island Ave.,	V. Crosby		Left Without Appointme in Evangelistic	_	age
Wesley Chapel of Kent,	amphreys T. Raum	6	L. A. Bennett		Yrs.
WestminsterE. H.			Supernumera P. L. Rice		1

Report B THE SECRETARY

(See Journal, page 22)

THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Brethren:

As the Committee on Credentials, I hereby report that the following Charges have sent no Delegate's Credential:

Bivalve, Campbell, Va., Concord, Greensboro, Harmony, W. Va., Indian River, Lewes, Del., Marley, Middleway, W. Va., Patapsco, Talbot, Tyreanna, Va.

That Mapleside and Fairview, Grove, Mardela elected no alternate.

That the credentials of Delegate from Wye was not signed by the Secretary of the Membership Meeting, while that of Mt. Nebo was not signed by the chairman.

That the credentials from Wallace Memorial, Reliance, Cannon bore no date of election.

Attention is called to Regulation 19: 1st, prohibiting the pastor presiding at election of delegate; 2nd, if necessary for the quarterly conference to elect a Delegate on Circuits, that some one other than the pastor shall preside.

That Mr. Harper be seated as Delegate from Hurlock.

As Committee on Publication of Minutes and Conference Incidentals, I submit the following report:

1920 • Receipts

To Balance from former Secretary, Dr. Straughn\$	26.57
To Check from C. P. Nowlin, Conference Treasurer	970.00
To Collection during Conference Session	102.00
To Check from C. P. Nowlin, advance assessment	343.59
Total \$1	.442.16

1920 Expenditures

To Printing and Distributing 2,200 Copies Minutes\$	510.39
To E. A. Sexsmith, Treasurer Summer Conference	300.00
To Treasurer, Asbury Memorial Association	100.00
To Typist, last session Conference	28.00
To President Straughn, printing, mailing, etc	20.72
To Expenses of Asst. Secretarys day after Conference	17.50
To Programs, Ballots, for last session	21.25
To Secretary for incidental expenses	9.60
('Phone, telegrams, special deliery, etc.)	
To telegrams and stamps, carbon paper	4.17
To Conference stationery	15.00
To J. A. Dudley, compensation Conference Steward	25.00
To Secretary, compensation	50.00

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APRIL

To C. P. Nowlin, compensation Conference Treasurer	100.00
To E. C. Makosky, acct. Ch. Ex. Com	1.03
To M. P. Book Concern, Bibles, etc., last session	20.45
To expenses Conf. Com. on locating M. P. People	17.25
To Secretary, inc. ex. mailing supplies 1921	7.25
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\$1,247.61

\$1,442.16

Indebtedness Account

Note as previously reported	8750.00
Due Treasurer on account to 1920.	
Due to M. P. Book Concern	

\$934.67

You will note that the cost of the Minutes was high, due to the fact that the contract made for the 1920 session was higher than any previous year, and our Minutes exceeded in size that of previous years by nearly 50 pages, which excess cost at the rate of \$2 per page. With the expectation that this year's Minutes will be back to the normal size and with the increased receipts from this year's assessments, the Secretary thinks that our indebtedness can be very materially reduced at the close of this session.

G. I. HUMPHREYS.

Report C THE TREASURER

(See Journal, page 33)

Budgets

1921

Receipts

April 6, To President's Salary	4,043.07
To Maryland Conference Interests	
To General Conference Interests	6,392.10

\$35,798.71

Disbursements

By Checks to J. H. Straughn, President	\$ 4,043.07
By Maryland Conference Interests Item	25,360.51
By Checks to H. C. Staley, Treasurer for General Conference	6,392.10
By Undistributed part of Maryland Conference Interest	3.03

Special General Interests

Receipts

Cildren's Day\$	9,471.02
Special for Foreign Missions	
Easter Services	1,755.20
Anti-Saloon Leaue	3,354.27
Miscellaneous Items	45,263.92
\$	63,065.68

Disbursements

By Checks to H. C. Staley, Treasurer
\$63,065,68

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

To amount reported to	Conference\$6,593.44	
By accepted Vouchers	***************************************	\$6,593.44

Woman's Home Missionary Society

To amount reporte to Conference\$2,	811.00
By accepted Vouchers	\$2,811.00

Expense Account of General Conference Delegation

1920 Receipts	
May 1, By Balance from 1916 account	22.43
By Discount of Note for \$1,000, First Nat. Bank	985.00
By return Daniel Baker's Check	41.02
By return of Checks of Messrs. W. E. Cain, R. P.	
Smith and W. O. Atwood who declined to go	141.88
By return from Rev. W. H. Litsinger	16.62
By return from Rev. F. C. Klein	7.67
By return from Rev. F. T. Little	15.16
April 6, By Cash from District	770.17
April 8, By Deficit	278.98
	\$2,274.93

Disbursements

Revs. T. H. Lewis, \$31.36; L. F. Warner, \$30.26; J. H. Straughn, \$30.26; J. M. Gill, \$30.26; H. L. Elderdice, \$31.36; F. T. Little, \$30.26; G. W. Haddaway, \$30.26; R. L. Shipley, \$33.53; F. T. Benson, \$30.26; G. I. Humphreys, \$28.86; E. C. Makosky, \$36.08; E. D. Stone, \$30.26; F. C. Klein, \$30.26; Louis Randall, \$30.26; W. A.

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Melvin, \$30.26; W. H. Litsinger, \$30.26; E. H. Van-	
Dyke, \$31.36	\$ 525.41
\$48.22; A. R. Lewis, \$41.02; J. H. Roberts, \$41.02; E. E. Wooden, \$42.58; J. B. Jones, \$47.24; Dr. E. B. Fenby, \$41.02; E. G. Cover, \$44.86; J. A. Baker, \$41.02; F. M. Wilson, \$54.02	702.98
May 13-19, To Telephone Aug. 11, To Payment on Note Nov. 11, To Payment on Note	4.20 275.00 75.00
Feb. 9, To Payment on Note	50.00 42.34 600.00
	\$2,274.93

Church Extension Account

1920	Receipts	
May 1, To 1921	Balance\$	2,310.96
April 6, To	Special Contribution from St. John's	5.00
April 6, To	Amount from District	6,228.96
April 9, To	Annual Dues	123.50
		\$8,668.42

Disbursements

May 1, 1920, to April 1, 1921. By Mrs. Thomas Lowe's Claim\$	240.00
By Alexandria, \$200; Bethany, \$200; Cambridge Circut, \$200; Centreville, \$200; Cherrydale, \$250; Conference Ch. Ex., \$1,950; Conquest, \$100; Crumpton, \$100; Deer Creek, \$150; Dover, \$100; Evergreen, \$350; Greenbush and Tasley, \$100; Harmony, \$100; Kent Island, \$100; Lawsonia, \$25; Lynchburg, \$250; Mapleside, \$100; Pay-	
son Street, \$250; Payson Street on Salary, \$200; Quantico, \$100; St. Michaels, \$50; St. Paul's, \$250; Taylor Memorial, \$250; Trinity, \$150; Violetville, \$200; Waverly,	
\$100; Wye, \$100	6,125.00 2,303.42

Superannuated Fund

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1920	Receipts		
June 29, To Sp	ecial Contribution thru E. T. Read\$	3.00	
July 28, To Ch	eck from T. A. Murray, Treasurer	1,700.00	
Octo. 21, To Cl 1921	neck from T. A. Murray Treasurer	2,100.00	
Jan. 28, To Che	eck from T. A. Murray, Treasurer	1,500.00	
April 6, To Che	eck from T. A. Murray, Treasurer	1,668.34	
April 6, To Spe	cial Gift from St. John's	5.00	
April 6, To Con	ntribution from C. E. Dryden	10.00	
April, 1920, to	April 1921, To Cash from District	5,855.45	*
April 8, To Ann	nual Dues	104.00	
	\$.	12,841.79	
1920	Disbursements		
July 28, By 1st	Distribution to Claimants	\$	1,632.00
Octo. 21, By 21 1921	nd Distribution to Claimants	••••••	2,008.00
Jan. 28, By 3rd	Distribution to Claimants	,	1,436.00
	Distribution to Claimants		6,822.72
April 8, By Expense Cor. Sec		2.50	
	ck to T. A. Murray, Treas., Annual D		104.00
April 8, By Det	fait from 1020 Conforma		130.60
	ficit from 1920 Conferenceance to 1922 Account		705.97

\$12,481.79

Report D

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(See Journal, page 23)

The Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference respectfully submits their report for the Conference year ending with the 31st of March, 1921:

First. The board is now constituted as follows: J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Rowland Watts, T. A. Murray, until 1923; F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Roberts, F. K. Herr, until 1922; A. W. Mather, E. C. Makosky, T. W. Donoho, C. A. Benjamin, whose terms expire in 1921, and whose successors are to be elected at this session of the Conference.

Second. The income of the Mrs. A. S. Eversole legacy has been properly used for Church-Extension purposes in accordance with the terms of the bequest.

Third. We submit herewith the annual report of the Treasurer of our board showing the receipts and expenditures of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate, and now subject to disposition by the Board of Trustees under the

will of Dr. Drinkhouse in accordance with the terms created by the said will.

Fourth. We report that the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the board have been duly examined and audited by the Committee of Audit provided for in the by-laws of our charter.

F. T. LITTLE, President.

RODLAND WATTS, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report for Year April, 1920-1921

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference

GENERAL FUND

To Balance per last Report		\$	518.17
To Commissions on Income received\$	86.87		
To Interest on Deposits	15.38		102.25
		\$	620.42
CR.			
By expenses of Trustees attending Meetings\$	11.30		
By Treasurer's' allowance for expense			
Balance on deposit		\$	620.42
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DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE			
To Income from Securities\$1	,260.00		
To Interest on deposits		\$1	,263.67
CR.			
By rent Safe Deposit Box\$	5.00		
By Commissions on Income credited to Gen. Account	63.17		
By amt. appropriated and paid to Meth. Prot. Book	00121		
	,195.50	\$1	,263.67

Respectfully submitted,

April 4, 1921. THOMAS A. MURRAY.

Report E OF BOARD OF FINANCE

(See Journal, page 36)

The Board of Finance, after careful consideration of the appropriations agreed upon by this Conference, has distributed the Assessments on

the percentage basis as agreed upon by the Conference of 1920 (see Conference Minutes, 1920, pp. 143-144).

The increases as agreed upon by this Conference are as follows:

General Conference	Budget	\$1	.03,200
Maryland Conference			

Total net increase\$105,850

General Conference Budget for 1921 comprising the following interests:

Ministerial Education, Seminary, College, Home Missions,	
Foreign Missions, Board Young People's Work	
Maryland Conference Budget, Conference, Superannuates,	
Church Extension, Church Home, Deaconess Home	29,000
President's Salary and Expenses	4,000

Total amount appropriated\$143,000

All monies contributed for General Conference Interests, such as Children's Day, Rally Day, Easter, Educational Day, W. F. M. S., W. H. M. S. and Special for Missions, to be credited on the General Conference Assessment on the individual charges.

Total amount as levied is as follows:

General Conference Budget\$	110,000
Maryland Conference Budget President's Salary and Expenses	
*	143,000

To be distributed on the following percentage basis:

General Conference Budget Maryland Conference Budget President"s Salary and Expenses	20.3	per		
1	100	ner	cent	

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman,
G. A. OGG, Secretary,
W. B. WRIGHT,
ERNEST E. WOODEN,
E. A. CRAIG,
R. K. WOODLAND.

Report F

ITINERANCY AND ORDERS

(See Journal, page 29)

Your committee respectfully ubmits its report as follows:

We report that A. W. Mather and J. L. Mills have resigned from the Faculty, thus creating two vacancies.

We recommend:

First, That Robert Browne, a licensed preacher from Emmanuel Church, Philadelphia, be placed in the hands of the President and that he be permitted to take the course of study.

Second, That J. Tracey Fenby, Paul F. Warner, Charles M. Kelser, Fred. G. Holloway and J. Earl Cummings be received into the Conference and ordained, they being graduates of a Seminary.

Whereas after the lapse of years there may be need for some changes in the work of the Faculty, its size, courses of study, details of procedure,

We recommend that the Conference appoint a Committee to report to the next session of the Conference a plan for the reorganization of the Faculty to meet the requirements of the situation.

We report that the transfer of W. H. Hodges of the West Virginia Conference has been received and we recommend that he be received into Conference.

We report that E. J. Holland is continued in the Preparatory Class; that C. M. Jenkins is passed to the second year's class, except that he is continued in the first year's class in Sunday School Experience; that S. C. Wood is continued in the first year's class; that J. H. Lynch and H. L. Murphy are continued in the second's year's class; that L. E. Haddaway passed in Smith and is passed through the course of study.

We recommend that C. S. Larrimore, W. A. Sites, W. S. Simms, H. F. Butler, A. W. Betts, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, T. J. Turkington, L. E. Bee and L. C. Randall be placed in the hands of the President; and that C. S. Larrimore, H. F. Butler, A. W. Betts, B. P. Crowson, C. M. Jenkins, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, S. C. Wood, T. J. Turkington, Robert Browne be given license to administer the ordinances.

(Signed) L. F. WARNER, Chairman, J. W. KIRK, Secretary.

Report G CHURCH EXTENSION

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 24)

Your committee has carefully considered all papers referred to it, including the applications for financial aid, and while we are unable to

grant all requests because of limited funds, we have endeavored to meet the requirements as best we could.

We most heartily commend the work of the Church Extension Superintendent. He has been diligent and effective in his endeavors to care for the Church Extension interests of the Conference. The reports of the Church Extension Society of the Conference, the Baltimore City, and Peninsular Societies referred to this committee show a constantly growing interest in our Church Extension work. We most heartily commend each of these Societies on the work accomplished during the year.

Your committee has carefully considered the papers referred to us from the Peninsula M. P. Church, Wilmington, Del., the Peninsula Church Extension Society and the Conference Church Extension Society in refer-

ence to the Peninsula Church of Wilmington, Del.

It is with pleasure that we record the rapid development of this organization which now has a membership of 115 and a Sunday school enrollment of 175. A thorough survey of the city of Wilmington has been made which reveals that there are at least 250 families in the city who are friendly to this enterprise, many of whom will likely become actively identified with this church in the near future.

The results accomplished are so gratifying and the outlook so favorable that we wish to give this work our most hearty endorsement, and make the following recommendations:

1. That we appropriate \$2,500 in fuor annual installments to the

building fund.

- 2. That the pulpits of our churches be open for a financial appeal for this enterprise, with the understanding that the Peninsula Church shall make a canvass of the city of Wilmington for an amount not less than three-fifths of the amount contributed by the churches of the Conference.
 - 3. That we ask the Board of Home Missions to contribute the amount

of \$15,000 to this enterprise.

4. That the size and character of the proposed building be referred to the Board of Survey for approval.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your committee make the following recommendations:

1. That the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) be assessed upon the Conference for Church Extension.

2. The re-appointment of Rev. J. M. Sheridan as Church Extension

Superintendent.

3. That Linthicum Heights Charge be listed in the Conference Minutes under the Baltimore charges.

BOUNDARIES

1. We recommend that Barnsley appointment on Cecil Charge be dropped.

2. (a) We recommend that the Conference reconsider its action of last year regarding the consolidation of Broadway and Lauraville churches.

2. (b) That Broadway and Bethany churches of Baltimore City be consolidated and know as "Broadway-Bethany."

3. That the Conference raitfy the action of the Quarterly Conference of Bedford Charge of a year ago, in dropping the Fairview Church.

4. We have considered the papers referred to us from Susquehanna Circuit relative to a consolidation of said charge, and wish to commend the movement, but in the judgment of your committee the vote taken does not meet with the requirements of the Discipline. We therefore recommend that the matter be referred to the charge for further definite action.

5. We recommend that the request of Union Charge to drop Portsville appointment be referred to the Board of Survey for their consideration.

6. In the case of the re-adjustment of Pocomoke Circuit, we find that the Disciplinary requirements have not been met, and we therefore refer the matter to the President of the Conference and the Board of Survey for adjustment.

7. We have considered the report of the Special Committee on readjustment of Circuits located in Howard, Carroll and Frederick Counties and recommend that the matter be referred to the Board of Survey.

8. We recommend that the request from Grove Charge relative to Smithson Church be referred to the Board of Survey.

9. That Dagsboro Church be left under the care of the pastor of Georgetown and that the Selbyville Church be continued under the care of the pastor of Whaleyville.

10. We recommend that Graceland Park of Baltimore City be recognized as a Methodist Protestant Church, and that it be attached to Chesaco Park Charge.

11. We recommend that the action of Dorchester Circuit with reference to Shiloh appointment be ratified and that Shiloh Church be placed in the hands of the Committee on Closed Churches.

13. That Campbell be dropped from the list of appointments.

APPROPRIATIONS

Combridge Circuit on release	000 00
Cambridge Circuit, on salary\$	300.00
Cherrydale, 2nd installment on \$500.00	250.00
Deer Creek, if supplied by married man	200.00
Evergreen, on salary, if supplied by married man	350.00
Emmanuel, Philadelphia, renewal of last year's pledge, \$1,000.00;	
in four annual installments	250.00
Indian River, on debt	200.00
Lawsonia, on salary	100.00
Liberty, on salary	100.00
Lynchburg, 2nd annual installment on \$500.00	250.00
Payson Street, 2nd annual installment on \$1,000	250.00
Payson Street, on salary	200.00
Peninsula Church, Wilmington, already appropriated by Confer	
ence action \$2,500 in four annual installments	625.00
Peninsula Church, Wilmington, 2nd annual installment on \$1,000	250.00
St. Paul's, 2nd annual installment on \$1,000	250.00
Selbyville Church, to be paid through the Church Extension	
Board of Managers for repairs	100.00
Taylor Memorial, 2nd annual installment on \$1,000	250.00

Wesley Chapel of Kent for Skinner's Neck Church, provided the build this year, \$500.00, in two annual installments, to be paid through the Board of Managers of Church Extension	ey De
Society	200.00
Wye, on salary	
On salary of Superintendent of Church Extension	1,000.00
Hallwood Church on Conquest Charge, \$500; in four annu	•
installments	125.00
To the Board of Managers of Church Extension Society for salar	ry
at Graceland Park	
To Mrs. Lowe on allowance	
For minimum salaries to be distributed by the Church Extension	
Committee in 1922	
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Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MAKOSKY, Chairman,

E. A. SEXSMITH, Secretary,

W. H. LITSINGER,

J. H. ROBERTS,

J. ALBERT BAKER,

R. P. SMITH.

Report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society

We respectfully submit the following report:

This has been a very successful year with this society. There has been a very gratifying increase of interest on the part of the laymen. They are showing a willingness to give their time and means to advance the work. The campaign for new members last year proved very helpful and there will be an effort made in May to secure a renewal of those who now belong and to add to the number.

A mass-meeting was held at St. John's Church in February which was well attended. Interesting addresses were made in which the importance of Church Extension was strongly emphasized.

The principle financial effort this year has been to secure funds toward the payment of lot purchased for the Waverly Church. We have paid \$2,600.00 on this purchase and hope to secure the balance of \$1,400.00 in May. Waverly Church has not shown any progress this year and the opinion of all who are familiar with the location and history of this church is that the change of location is necessary. We hope that during the next year definite steps will be taken to establish it on a new and better basis.

We request the Conference to supply the church with a student, who shall be under the supervision of this society. If a student is not sent, that such a supply shall be given as not to require an appropriation on salary.

This society has held the title to the Chesaco Park Church property. This congregation having paid the indebtedness against the property and proved their loyalty and ability to care for their church, requested the

transfer of the property to their local Trustees. This transfer has been made.

The Treasurer's report for the year shows that there has been raised during the year \$1,917.62. This does not include appropriation made on salaries, which have passed through the hands of the Treasurer. Altogether the year has been one of the best in the work of the society for a long time and we are looking forward to the coming year for still greater results.

DANIEL MacLEA, President.

Report of the Committee on Closed Churches

While I have given all the attention possible during the year to the closed churches, there is not much of a definite character to report.

Liberty Church on Northumberland Circuit, which was closed for a number of years, has had what services Brother Phillips could render in connection with his other four churches.

I have not been able to dispose of Bambury Church, although two other denominations have conferred with me with the view of buying it.

I have an offer for Epworth Church in Queen Anne County but have not yet sold.

Our church in Greensboro is still closed. I have recently visited this town and conferred with Brother Clinton B. Jarmen. He thinks we should wait for further developments. There is a parsonage in Greensboro worth \$3,500 with a mortgag against it of \$900. It is rented and the proceeds, after paying the expenses, will be used in liquidating this debt.

We also have a parsonage on Middleway Charge which should have the oversight of this Conference. I recommend that the Superintendent be given the same authority with unused parsonages that he now has with closed churches.

Shiloh Church on Dorchester Circuit is closed. Nearly all those who once supported this church have moved to Hurlock and other towns. The few who hold their membership there take very little interest. They are not willing, however, for the property to be sold. It is rapidly depreciating and will soon be worth nothing. The colored people last year offered to buy it for \$600 but the offer was refused. This will be taken up with the Quarterly Conference of Dorchester in the beginning of the Conference year.

Fairview Church on Bedford Circuit has not been disposed of and Severn Church in Anne Arundel County is still closed. Brother Lynch and I have discussed plans to use the building and we hope for definite action at an early day. If such churches cannot be opened for services or the material used in the erection of churches elsewhere, it is often difficult to get a purchaser. It takes time to make any disposition of them.

There are several other small churches to which attention will be given. In some cases the title to the property is not clear which makes it difficult to do anything with them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Report of the Peninsula Church Extension Society

The Board of Managers of the Peninsula Church Extension of the Methodist Protestant Church have held several meetings during the past year and have given careful thought to the extension of our denomination in the territory under its jurisdiction. Dues have been collected and disbursements have been made according to the Treasurer's Report attached.

The work of the society has been chiefly directed to aiding the new church enterprise in Wilmington, Delaware. The Conference last year appointed L. B. Smith as pastor of a charge to be formed in that city. It was found impossible to rent a house that might be used as a home for the pastor and a parsonage was purchased at 603 West 19th Street for \$11,300. This purchase was financed by a loan of \$300 by the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society of the Maryland Conference; a note for \$1,000, endorsed by F. P. Adkins and F. M. Wilson; and a mortgage on the property of \$10,000 from the Accomac Banking Company, of Parksley, Va. As it is illegal for corporations without the state of Delaware to hold property within the state, all the titles of this parsonage and the church are held by the local church.

The pastor began his work immediately upon his arrival. have been held in the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall Street. On May 16th the church was formally organized with the name, "The Peninsula Methodist Protestant Church of Wilmington." There were fifty-two charter members and the numbers of members has since grown to 115 with a Sunday school of 175 enrollment. It is impossible to praise too highly the work that has been done by the pastor of this new charge. His fine executive ability, his tireless pastoral activity, his inspiring preaching and his winsome personality in sane leadership of a group of consecrated and enthusiastic Methodist Protestants who desire a church of their denomination in their home city, have together accomplished a task that is phenomanal. The local church will take care of the pastoral support for this year. Architectural plans for a new building have been secured by the pastor and approved by this society and he is now working on the specifications and a financial campaign. Having initiated this work, this society feels that it ought to turn over the active management to the Annual Conference with the urgent recommendation that very substantial appropriations be made for its assistance. We also think that the Board of Home Missions should be asked to make another appropriation to this enterprise. We have no doubt that a new church of our faith is needed in Wilmington; that we have the best location for such a church; that we have a constituency there that will make a strong church and that large assistance now will make a self supporting church possible in the near future and that such a church will be a conserving force for our Peninsula and a resource for our denomination throughout the coming years.

The Society has also given some assistance to the effort of the Superintendent of Church Extension to pay the old debt on the Selbyville Church. The full amount has not been secured but a substantial payment has been made. Reports of the recent development of this work would indicate that the possibilities of a growth of our church at this point are larger than some time ago. We commend the work here to the study of the Conference and a proper assistance in the way that only the Annual Conference can serve.

At the last meeting of the Board of Managers it was decided to make an effort to raise at least \$1,500 for the coming year to be applied as the necessities of our territory may dictate.

FRED P. ADKINS, President.

Statement of Peninsula Church Extension Society

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1921\$ Collections to 4-11-21	
Total\$	1,009.32
Disbursements	
Jan. 14, Trav. Exp. Selbyville, J. M. Sheridan	53.79 33.82 100.00 300.00 100.00 300.00 20.55 100.00
Balance in Bank April 11th, 1921	1,008.16 1.16
\$	1,009.32

Report H

SUPERANNUATES

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 27)

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully reports as follows:

First. We recommend that \$7,000 be assessed on the District.

Second. We report that J. W. Norris and Mrs. R. S. Rowe deceased during the year.

Third. We recommend that J. L. Elderdice, G. J. Hill, G. Q. Bacchus, Mrs. J. W. Norris and Mrs. E. L. Beauchamp be granted Superannuated relations.

Fourth. We report that Mrs. S. J. Smith and Mrs. J. H. S. Ewell make no request for this year.

Fifth. We report that the fund paid 100 per cent for the year. Sixth. We recommend the following appropriations:

Sixth. We recommend the	efollowing	appropriations:	
	Invested		
	Fund	Collections	Total
J. W. Gray	\$480.00	\$20.00	\$500.00
W. D. Litsinger	•	90.00	500.00
A. W. Mather	490.00	10.00	500.00
J. L. Mills	510.00		510.00
W. M. Strayer	480.00	20.00	500.00
J. G. Sullivan	290.00		290.00
J. M. Holmes	520.00		520.00
F. H. Mullineaux	440.00		440.00
F. T. Tagg	470.00	30.00	500.00
G. F. Farring	290.00		290.00
C. E. McCullough	290.00		290.00
W. N. Sherwood	190.00	210.00	400.00
J. L. Elderdice	310.00	90.00	500.00
G. J. Hill	280.00	220.00	500.00
G. Q. Bacchus	470.00	30.00	500.00
Mrs. D. Bowers	60.00	15.00	75.00
Mrs. H. C. Cushing	65.00	135.00	200.00
Mrs. S. G. Furgson	100.00	50.00	150.00
Mrs. D. N. Gilbert	15.00	110.00	125.00
Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell	210.00	40.00	250.00
Mrs. J. B. Jones	115.00	35.00	150.00
Mrs. J. L. Kilgore	90.00	35.00	125.00
Mrs. R. L. Lewis	115.00	85.00	200.00
Mrs. J. E. Litsinger	35.00	215.00	250.00
Mrs. W. J. D. Lucas	55.00	195.00	250.00
Mrs. A. D. Melvin	145.00	105.00	250.00
Mrs. C. B. Middleton	35.00	140.00	175.00
Mrs. H. E. Miskimon	60.00	40.00	100.00
Mrs. W. J. Neepier	155.00	-	155.00
Mrs. W. S. Phillips	115.00	285.00	400.00
Mrs. G. J. Smith	105.00	45.00	150.00
Mrs. S. J. Valliant	15.00	110.00	125.00
Mrs. A. J. Walter	75.00	125.00	200.00
Mrs. R. S. Williamson	35.00	100.00	135.00
Mrs. H. F. Wright		185.00	250.00
Mrs. J. M. Yingling	15.00	35.00	50.00
Mrs. F. L. Stevens	95.00	205.00	300.00
Mrs. R. T. Tyson	45.00	155.00	200.00
Mrs. S. B. Tredway	190.00	110.00	300.00
Mrs. D. L. Greenfield	130.00		130.00
Mrs. E. O. Ewing	195.00	30.00	225.00
Mrs. G. R. Hodge	135.00	165.00	300.00
TITING OF THE TTOOLE COMMISSION	200.00		

70.00

Mrs. J. A. Weigand.....

175.00

105.00

,	Invested		
	Fund	Collections	Total
•	runu	Confections	Iotal
Mrs. J. S. Bowers	170.00		170.00
Mrs. R. K. Lewis	25.00	125.00	150.00
Mrs. W. R. Graham	225.00		225.00
Miss Ruth Harriman		100.00	100.00
Mrs. J. W. Norris	160.00	40.00	200.00
Mrs. E. L. Beauchamp	45.00	255.00	300.00
Totals\$	9,195.00	\$4,095.00	\$13,290.00

G. W. HADDAWAY, Chairman,

S. W. COE, Secretary,

C. M. ELDERDICE,

JOHN BAYLEY JONES, M. D.,

G. G. ACKERMAN,

H. B. LINTON.

Committee.

Report I

LITERATURE AND EDUCATION

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 27)

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

The first report of the new President of Western Maryland College, Rev. A. N. Ward, D. D., we consider most gratifying.

297 students have been enrolled, the largest attendance in the College's history, but this would have been increased at least 25 if that number had not been turned away for lack of accommodations.

The graduating class numbers 34. We commend the introduction of the Special Educational Courses for teachers, and note that 45 from Carroll County were enrolled, which swelled the enrollment to 342.

We strongly commend the improvement made in the curriculum which permits of more electives, and makes it possible for students to enter college with two years of foreign language instead of four as formerly, but it does not lower the standard of the College.

A full four-year course in Home Economics will be offered to young women, beginning with the new year.

We note that board and tuition have been increased to \$350.00, necessitated by increase in prices and increases in professors' salaries, but the rate is still far below that of other schools.

We commend heartily the provisions being made for adequate physical training, especially the campaign to raise \$35,000.00 for an athletic field on the land acquired last year by the College, and we are glad to note that the campaign is nearing successful completion.

The building of the new dormitory to meet demands sure to increase, and the sale of scholarships, transferrable and usable at any time, at \$75.00 instead of the regular rate of \$100.00 until August 15th, 1921, to largely finance the building project, calls for the endorsement of this Conference, and the hearty co-operation of every minister to make the campaign a complete success.

Your committee believes that the plans for the re-grouping of the College bulidings and the scheme of development that is to follow insure a greater institution adequately equipped to render the best possible service to our church and to the world, and call for the support of every lover of Christian education to bring to full realization the magnificent project outlined.

A special cause for rejoicing is that Bible courses have been added to the curriculum, a competent teacher has been engaged, and a three-year course arranged.

Your committee bespeaks the fullest possible co-operation by the Conference in carrying forward the plans of President Ward in the further development of the College.

WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Since the need of ministers is so great, and the demand for trained men is imperative, it is a matter of great thankfulness that, in proportion to our membership, we have the largest student body of any Protestant Seminary in America. Thirty-four are enrolled, representing eight Conferences, eighteen being from Maryland. Nine students will graduate in May, one of whom will go to the foreign fields shortly.

We call special attention to the fact that a generous legacy was received by the Seminary from the wdiow of the late Rev. E. D. Edmonston, amounting to \$2,544.85, and several contributions from Mr. T. W. Mather, of Westminster, Maryland, totaling \$5,345.00, were received.

The Conference and the church have already learned of the completion and occupancy of the splendid new Seminary building which cost \$110,000.00. The building is beautiful in appearance, and in its arrangements leaves nothing to be desired, and being most substantially built of the best materials, it will long remain the pride of the church and shelter those who will there be trained to carry forward the great work of our loved church. The debt of \$30,000.00 was wiped out on the day of dedication, and we call attention to the amount which was assumed for the Conference by the President, assured that it will heartily be concurred in and promptly paid.

We direct attention to the recommendation to the last General Conference of the advisability of reorganizing the Seminary so that it would be a strictly denominational institution with its Board of Governors elected by the General Conference, rather than 50 per cent elected by the Maryland Conference and 50 per cent by the General Conference. It was referred to the President of the General Conference and the denominational Executive Committee.

Your committee favors the following recommendations:

1. That the new Seminary Library be made the custodian of the Library and all other relics of the Maryland Conference Historical Society,

now in the Maryland Conference Room, 316 North Charles St., Baltimore, Md. (Amended by appointment of a committee to consider the feasibility of such change. See Journal, page 27, section 1.)

- 2. That our ministers and laymen add to the New Seminary Library at Westminster at least one valuable theological book during the ensuing year.
- 3. That a liberal response be made to the appeal of President J. H. Straughn, when he calls for the \$1,500.00 which he subscribed at the dedication of the Seminary as Maryland's share of the \$30,000.00.
- 4. That H. L. Elderdice be assigned for duty for the ensuing year as President of the Seminary.

BALTIMORE BOOK CONCERN

Your committee has carefully examined the report of the Book Concern, and are much pleased to note that it has been, in some respects, the best year in the Concern's history.

Being a new board, except one hold-over, the work was necessarily difficult. The former printer of the paper having retired from business, forced the board into the open market where rates were almost prohibitive, both in the price of paper and the printing, and the salaries of employees were also involved.

The loss of a large number of subscribers, folowing the increase of the price of the paper to \$2.00 a year, still leaves 7,000 subscribers, but with the expected gradual return to normal conditions, this list will be largely increased is the reasonable expectation.

While the deficit of the church paper is without precedent, the increase in the cost of paper, of printing and in salaries amounting to nearly \$7,000.00 largely accounts for it.

We appreciate the fact that all church papers are passing through the greatest crisis in the history of religious journalism, and we believe our church should rejoice that, while a number of denominational papers unfortunately have had to suspend publication, the Methodist Protestant has been sent without interruption to its subscribers.

Your committee most earnestly commends the good judgment and business sagacity of the former Directory in starting a fund for a printing plant, and we rejoice over the consummation of the excellent plans of the present Directory in securing the complete modern printing establishment at 108 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Md.

We further heartily commend the zeal and efforts of the Editor in inaugurating the campaign to raise \$20,000.00 as a birthday offering in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Methodist Protestant, "the mother of our denomination," and the large measure of success attained therein, \$8,000.00 being already in hand.

We also record our appreciation of the untiring effort of the agent in promoting all the interests intrusted to his hands in connection with the Book Concern. The volume of business was the largest in the history of the Concern, being something like \$15,000.00 in advance of last year, but the expense of the conduct of the business has been by far the most trying in the Concern's experience. Your committee feels it voices the judgment of the church that the Editor is giving us one of the very best

church papers published in America, and we pledge him unreserved and continued co-operation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Your committee recommends that the Conference set a goal of 2,000 new subscribers for next year, and that the President of the Conference assign the Goals to the local churches.
- 2. That the Conference set aside the third Sunday in October as Methodist Protestant Day, as done heretofore, and that on that day in every charge special reference be made to the completed century of splendid service rendered to the denomination by the Methodist Protestant, the oldest Methodist Church paper in America.

E. H. VANDYKE, Chairman, FRED C. KLEIN, Secretary, G. M. CLAYTON, T. RAYMOND MATTHEWS.

Report of the President of Western Maryland College

Westminster, Maryland, April 6, 1921.

To the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Dear Brethren:

I have the honor of submitting my first report as President of Western Maryland College.

There have been enrolled during the year 297 students, 130 boys and 167 girls. About 25 girls were turned away because we could not accommodate them. The graduating class this year numbers 34. In addition to the regular College enrollment we have offered courses in education to the teachers of Carroll County. Forty-five teachers enrolled in these classes, making a total enrollment in all departments of 342.

The work of the year has run along smoothly and successfully. But coming from Kansas City University where the work had been exhausting and plunging into this new work has kept me going without stop. I am looking forward to the next year with some confidence that there may be some let-up somewhere in the amount of work that one man is supposed to do. It is no easy task that has fallen to my lot.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held in February several matters of importance were acted upon. The first had to do with the courses of study. The curriculum has been changed to permit of more electives and to make it possible for students to enter college with two years of foreign language, instead of four as formerly. Both of these changes are important and follow the lead of the most important schools of the country. But these changes do not lower the standard of the College, they raise it instead. We are not going backward but forward. A full

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four-year course in Home Economics will hereafter be offered to young women, beginning with the new year. Board and tuition have been increased from \$300.00 to \$350.00. The increase is justified because of the increase of prices, and still our charges are far below other schools. The increase is justified also on the ground that we must at once make considerable increases in our teacher's salaries. All of the important charges of the Maryland Conference pay their preachers larger salaries than we pay our heads of departments. Our salaries must be increased to at least the average salary paid to preachers.

An item of interest is the campaign to raise \$35,000.00 for a new athletic field. The campaign is in progress at the present time and will likely be successful. This new field, accommodating the needs of both boys and girls, is a prime necessity if the school is to grow as it ought. Physical development must go hand in hand with mental and spiritual development. Boys especially go to school where athletic opportunities are provided. We need boys in our College, and if athletics is necessary to get them we ought to provide athletics. Better athletics at Western Maryland College will place many boys under the influence of a Christian college who otherwise would not go to a Christian college.

Another item of interest is the plan that has been adopted to build the new dormitory that is so much needed. The tuition rate has been increased from \$75.00 to \$100.00 a year. It is proposed to put on a campaign for the sale of 1,200 scholarships at the old price, namely \$75.00. This campaign is to be concluded August 15, 1921. After that date the rate of tuition will be \$100.00. It is proposed to take 75 per cent of the proceeds of the sale of these scholarships and erect a new dormitory, modern and complete in every particular. The remaining 25 per cent of the proceeds will be held in reserve to meet any contingencies that may arise in the event that these scholarships should be used faster than is anticipated. By careful management I think the 25 per cent held in reserve will finally go into the permanent endowment funds of the institution. These scholarships will be good until used and transferable: earnestly urge the co-operation of our ministers in this campaign. dormitory to be built will be named in honor of Dr. W. R. McDaniel, the Vice President of the College.

Still another item of interest to the Conference is the action of the board relative to the future physical development of the College. Plans have been adopted by the board providing for the re-grouping of the College buildings and for a scheme of development that is to be followed until the entire group shall be completed. The plan builds around the present Main Building and does not disturb the present arrangement so long as the old Main Building may be needed. When the group is finally completed the old Main Building will come down, leaving a quadrangle of ample proportions. When the plan is finally filled out the result will be an equipment that will be the pride of the church, and which will enable us to meet successfully the growing competition of the schools about us.

The Bible courses which the board ordered to be offered have been added to the curriculum. This is a step in the right direction and one which every preacher of the Maryland Conference will heartily approve.

A competent teacher has been secured and course covering three years have been arranged for.

I am depending upon your interest and support in the arduous work to which I have been called. In taking the presidency of this College I have been called to a work that will require the use of every resource at my command. But with your assistance I am not afraid to face the work before me. The remarkable achievements of my predecessor has set a pace that will be hard to keep up. And if I had to trust in my own strength and abilities I should certainly fail. I can only succeed as you make it possible and as the Almighty gives me strength.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. WARD, President.

The Westminster Theological Seminary

The Westminster Theological Seminary respectfully submits to the Maryland Conference its thirty-ninth annual report.

ENROLLMENT

During the year thirty-four students have enrolled. Alabama, Ohio, Pittsburgh and Michiban each sends one; Eastern, North Carolina and West Virginia each sends four and Maryland sends eighteen. While many vacant pulpits inspire the wish and the prayer for a much larger enrollment, yet we find some comfort in the knowledge that none of our sister churches fare so well; for, according to the statement of Dr. Richards, President of the Theological Seminary Association of the United States and Canada, we have, in proportion to our membership, the largest student body of any Protestant Seminary.

GRADUATING CLASS

Nine students will be graduated next Commencement. One of these, John Clyde Auman, is from North Carolina and will enter the foreign field under the direction of our Board of Foreign Missions. Another of these, Russell Murphy, is from the Eastern Conference, and will report there for duty. Two of these, P. E. Grimm and P. P. Holden, are from West Virginia Conference, and will report for service in that district. And the remaining five are Maryland men—Jacob Earl Cummings, of Christ Church, Baltimore, supplying last year the Cambridge Circuit; Charles H. Dobson, already a member of the Maryland Conference, in the pastorate since 1917; Joshua Tracey Fenby, of the Finksburg Circuit, a nephew of Dr. E. B. Fenby, of East Baltimore; Charles Melville Kelser, of the North Carolina Avenue Church, Washington, D. C.; and Paul Farwell Warner, son of Dr. L. F. Warner, of the Maryland Conference. This young man has been the pastor of the Hawley Memorial Congregational Church during his senior year.

LEGACIES

The Seminary has recently fallen heir to two generous legacies. Mrs. Eleanor Edmonston, widow of Rev. E. D. Edmonston, for many years a minister in the Maryland Conference, bequeathed the sum of \$2,544.85. Mr. T. W. Mather, of Westminster, Maryland, a brother of Rev. A. W. Mather, of the Maryland Conference, has contributed annually to the Scholarship Fund until the sum total was \$1,245.00. To make his Scholarhip permanent he has just given \$2,000.00. In addition to this contribution of \$3,245 to the Scholarship Fund, he has given this year \$100.00 to the Library Fund, and during the last four years \$2,000.00 to the New Building Fund. Here is a grand total of \$5,345.00 from this liberal layman. Surely this is an example that ought to appeal to many more of our laity.

THE NEW BUILDING

The most notable of advanced work during the year has been the erection and the dedication of the New Seminary Building. After four years of strenuous campaign during the period of the war, we tore down the Old Building last May and on the 17th of December dedicated the New Building. This Tudor-Gothic structure must be seen to be appreciated. It has already been described in glowing terms by the secular and the religious press but all who behold it declare that "not half had ever been told." A debt of \$30,000 was provided for on the day of dedication by the Maryland, the North Carolina, the Ohio, the Pittsburgh, the Eastern and the Indiana Conferences. On that day the entire cost totaled \$110,000. This building contains the best of materials and the best of workmanship, is adapted to the needs of the present and the future, and for many years will be the pride of the entire denomination, which rallied to the work from North, East, South and West. The loyalty and the liberality of our ministers and our laity made the dream come true which the President of the Seminary began to indulge nearly a quarter of a century ago.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ACTION

The Board of Education recommended to the last General Conference that it consider the advisability of rcommending the re-organization of our Westminster Theological Seminary so that it would be a strictly denominational institution with its Board of Governors elected by the General Conference, rather than 50 per cent elected by the Maryland Conference and 50 per cent by the General Conference. The Committee on Education favored this recommendation and referred it to the President of the General Conference and to the denominational Executive Comittee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the New Seminary Library be made the custodian of the Library and all other relics of the Maryland Conference Historical Society, now in the Maryland Conference Rooms, 316 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 2. That our ministers and laymen add to the New Seminary Library at least one valuable theological book during the ensuing year.
 - 3. That a liberal response be made to the appeal of President J. H.

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Straughn when he calls for the \$1,500.00 which he subscribed at the dedication of the Seminary as Maryland's share of the \$30,000.00 debt.

4. That H. L. Elderdice be assigned for duty for the ensuing year as President of the Seminary.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS,

J. W. KIRK. J. M. GILL.

Report of the Baltimore Book Directory

Dear Brethren of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church:

Our agent, Mr. Charles Reiner, Jr., will submit for your consideration, report for the Baltimore Book Concern for the fiscal year ending February 28, 1921, and this paper you will accept as explanatory of that report.

The year that we are closing n some respects, has been the best year in the history of the Book Concern, and yet it will need some explanation in order that you may understand why we are not putting away some money in the surplus fund. The present board is entirely new with the exception of one member, Mr. Harry Abbott, of Grafton, W. Va. We came into office at a time and under conditions that have made the work this year extremely difficult. Mr. Guthrie, who printed the paper of the Methodist Protestant for many years at a very low rate, decided to discontinue business last August. This forced us into the open market where the price of printing the paper was almost prohibitive. The advance in the price of paper multiplied the paper cost fourfold and the salary question of our employees became acute, if we would deal fairly with them at the present high cost of living. Even with whatever increase we could give our editor and agent, they are still receiving much less salary than the other agents of the church.

We were compelled to increase the price of the paper from \$1.50 to \$2.00. This was distasteful to some of our subscribers and it is seen in the decline of the subscription list. Still we have a list of 7,000 subscribers and we hope with the settling down of things to normal to increase this next year. The items in the increased cost are as follows:

Increase in cost of paper	\$3,822.85
Increase in cost of printing paper	2,041.94
Increase in salaries about	800.00

Thus the increase in these three items alone total nearly \$7,000. It goes without saying that the deficit of the paper this year is without precedent and yet it was anticipated at the beginning of the year. We are, like other papers, going through the most trying period in the history of the newspaper world. However, things look very much brighter for the next year, as paper has gone down about one-third in cost, and printing our own paper will cost us less than putting it out to others.

In the beginning of our year in seeking to solve the problem that was so insistent and so alarming, we determined to establish our own printing plant, in order that we might economize and at the same time produce a new source of income. As this is the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the paper, we thought the church would want to do something handsome in commemoration of that event, so we have made an appeal for \$20,000 to pay for the equipment of this plant. Already we have \$8,000 in subscriptions and in cash and many of our friends have not been called upon yet. We hope it will be your pleasure to give your endorsement of this recognition of the services the paper has rendered in the past 100 years. The plant has been in operation since January 1st and up to this time has entirely satisfied the hopes of its founders.

The year just closed has been one of the most successful in the history of the Book Concern in the volume of business transacted, being something like \$15,000 in advance of last year, but the expense of the business has been by far the most trying in the experience of the Concern.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the efficient efforts of the editor, Dr. F. T. Benson, in his editorial work. The paper under his direction is one of the best denominational papers in the country and the very best for all Methodist Protestant people. His untiring efforts have been given also in making possible our printing plant, in securing birthday offerings to the Mother paper in honor of the one hundredth year of continued publication. The editor's efforts in all these matters are worthy of note and should receive the hearty appreciation of the entire denomination.

The agent has also worked faithfully and successfully in the development of a larger business, which reflects credit upon himself. He is deserving of our sincere praise for this. We also have a very competent foreman at the printing plant in the person of Mr. C. Levine Price. We also heartily record our appreciation of the services of all the employees of the Book Concern.

We are asking the Conference to give us a quota of subscriptions for next year, and also to set aside the third Sunday in October as Methodist Protestant day, as we have done for a number of years. We should be pleased if the Conference might put upon its records some recognition of the 100 years of splendid service which the church has received from this paper.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Directory, G. W. HADDAWAY, President.

The Book Depository of The Methodist Protestant Church General Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year Ending February 28, 1921

INCOME

Methodist Protestant:

Sales\$	10,862.36	
Suspense account (over)	337.80	
Advertsing	512.52	•
Commission and Discount		
Income from Drinkhouse Legacy	1,279.90	\$13,218.92

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Printing:

Sales\$	1,380.13	
Uncompleted Orders, Inventory	76.37	
Commission and Discount		
Waste Paper		1,465.23

Total Meth. Prot. and Printing Income..... \$\$14,684.15

Loss\$8,413.26

Sunday School Periodicals:

Merchandise:

Income from Other Sources:

Interest\$	383.56	
Bad Debt Reserve for year (overestimated)	8.23	391.79

\$95,753.60

EXPENDITURES

Methodist Protestant:

Paper\$	7,738.42	
Printing (Meth. Prot.)		î
Salaries (apportioned)	4,003.09	
Postage, Express and Freight		•
Expense	613.25	
General Expenses (one-third)	761.33	
Meth. Prot. and Recorder Comb. Allow	.25	
Donations for M. P. Subscribers (overdraft)	.23	\$21,394.92

Printing:

Purchases\$	284.45	
Salaries	1,192.61	•
Rent	180.00	
Expense	29.85	
Light and Power	15.58	1,702.49

Total Meth. Prot. and Printing Expenditures

\$23,097.41

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Sunday S	School	Periodicals:
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Purchases\$	15,846.95	
Salaries (apportioned)		
General Expenses (one-third)		
Postage, Expenses and Freight	711.62	
Expense	493.55	21,001.34

Profit\$2,293.04

Merchandise:

Purchases\$	39,056.97	•
Salaries (apportioned)	5,313.15	
Expenses	3,677.42	
General Expenses (one-third)	761.34	
Postage, Expenses and Freight (out)	529.48	
Postage, Expenses and Freight (in)	361.73	49,700.09

Profit\$7,103.59

Other Deductions and Expenses:

\$95,753.60

The Methodist Protestant Book Concern, 316 N. Charles St., Balto., Md. Balance Sheet February 28, 1921

ASSETS

Current:

Cash	\$	297.53
U. S. Govt, 41/4 per cent Liberty Loan Bonds\$	5,000.00	
Interest Accrued	76.15	5,076.15
Baltimore Post Office, Deposit		27.00

Accounts Receivable:

Customers\$	10.049.06	
Less: Reserve for Bad Debts	200.98	
·Net Valuation\$	9,848.08	
Suspense Accounts, Meth. Prot	355.42	
Advertisers, Meth. Prot	54.43	
Trustees Md. Annual Conference	265.86	10,523.79

Inventories Stock on Hand:	
Merchandise\$17,648.	84
Sunday School Periodicals	
Paper (Meth. Prot.)	40
Raw Material (Printing)	71
Work in Process (Printing)	37 18,586.14
Total Current Assets	\$34,510.61
Fixed:	
Printing Machinery and Equipment\$15,132.	20
Printing Furniture and Fixtures 177.	
Office and Store Furniture and	
Fixtures \$1,030.75	
Less: Reserve for Deprecia-	
ton, 25 per cent 257.69 773.	06
Total Fixed Assets	16,082.84
Deferred:	
General Conference\$ 445.	84
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General Expenses (office supplies)	
Insurance Paid in Advance	
Taxes Paid in Advance	
Interest Paid in Advance	
Total Deferred Assets	2,692.39
Total Assets	\$53,285.84
LIABILITIES	
Current:	
Notes Payable:	
W. V. Guthrie\$ 3,100.	00
Baker, Watts & Co 5,000.	
	8,100.00
Interest Accrued on Notes Payable	100.23
Accounts Payable:	200.20
Creditors 9,077.	30
Subscribers Meth. Prot	
Subscribers S. S. Periodicals	
Subscribers b. b. Terroureals	
Total Current Liabilities	\$19,830.70
Deferred Credit Item:	40.00
Picture Fund	46.98
Total Liabilities	\$19,877.68

Capital:

Capital, beginning of year	\$20,000.00	
Birthday Offering\$ 2,000.00 Emergency Fund Reserve,		
transferred 11,987.76	13,987.76	
Total	33,987.76	
Deduct:		
Loss for year ended February 28, 1921,		
per Profit and Loss Statement	579.60	
Net Worth		33,408.16
Total Liabilities and Capital		\$53 285 84

Report J YOUNG PEOPLE WORK

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 31)

The Committee on Young People's Work believes that it can begin its report with nothing more impressive than quoting the following from the report of the President of the Young People's Work, "The hope of our future church lies in the lives of the young people under our care." This statement has been made again and again and it must be repeated and emphasized until a persistent effort is made throughout the church to hold our young people in the church and train them for the service of the King.

We therefore recommend the pastors to urge the young people of Young People's Institute to be held at Western Maryland College in July. Every Sunday school and Christian Endeavor Society in the Conference should send at least one delegate, not simply to make the Institute a success from the standpoint of membership but because our Young people need the spiritual deepening and the intensifying of the desire to serve which must result from seven days of fellowship and earnest study of needs and methods, and from personal contact with the earnest and sane leaders who will direct the Institute.

We threfore recommend the pastors to urge the young people of their respective Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies to attend the Institute at Western Maryland College and especially urge the attendance of such persons as are considering life work service.

We recommend that pastors urge the payment of the \$2.00 dues from each Sunday school and \$1.00 dues from each Christian Endeavor Society and that same be sent in promptly.

We recommend further that each pastor devote at least one service

during the year to the consideration of life work and the enrollment of recruits for Life Work Service.

We are pleased to report that the young people of the Conference have more than met their subscription to the support of the Conference missionary, and we do hereby commend the splendid work of the Missionary Department of the Young People's Work.

GEO. HINES, Chairman,

R. Y. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

Of the President of the Union of Young People's Work

To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear Brethren:

To report concerning the activities of the Union of Young People's Work is a real pleasure as I am sure there is no group of Christian workers among us who reveal a larger degree of consecration and vigorous activity than those who are leading our Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies. As an evidence of this fact I am pleased to state that in the recent drive for Sunday school scholars by the State Sunday School Association, we as a denomination led in the highest percentage of increase in Baltimore City, and possibly through the state, and yet when we think of our opportunity and also responsibility we forget the past and with confidence face the future.

The hope of our future church lies in the lives of the young people under our care. From among them must come our ministers, missionaries, deaconesses and local church leaders. The ever increasing demand for efficient Christian leadership requires of us a better development of our resources. Better methods and equpment in our Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, with a more efficient teaching force, this goal, we are endeavoring to assist our young people's organizations to attain.

It is with pleasure that we are again able to record the efficient work of our Missionary Department in the support of Rev. Charles Heininger, our missionary in China. All our department heads are interested in the work and are co-operating splendidly in our endeavor to make more effective the work of the union. During the year Rallies or Institutes under the direction of the District Superintendents were held in each of their respective districts except one. These led up to the Institute held at Western Maryland College in July which was one of the best young people's gatherings we have ever held. We had over 150 who took practically the entire course, with a class registration reaching 175 and a total enrollment of over 200, but we rejoice more, however, in the life decisions made than in the attendance.

There were twenty-five new Comrades of the Quiet Hour.

Thirteen new tithers. .

Two young men for the ministry.

Two young women for full-time life service in the Home Missionary field.

Two young women fur full-time service in the foreign field, besides many pledges for definite work in the activities of the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, also in personal evangelism.

The results of the Institutes previously held on College Hill have been so gratifying that we are planning to enlarge the curriculum this year, offering a wider range of subjects. Besides the studies which will be grouped around Christian Endeavor and Sunday School Methods, Missions, Stewardship, Bible Study and Personal Evangelism, we will have some of the most noted Christian leaders to address the institute each evening on some important line of church work. The program is well in hand and will soon be ready for publication.

We desire the pastors to consider the value of this gathering to their young people to such an extent that they will strongly encourage their attendance and where necessary urge the church to provide the funds to make it possible.

Pastors can also assist us greatly by having the dues of \$2.00 each for the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor, and \$1.00 from the Junior Society sent in promptly. This is our only source of revenue and is necessary for the carrying on of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. SEXSMITH, President.

Report K MORAL REFOM

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 34)

If there is any change in the Moral Fight at the end of another Conference year, it is because the fight is more bitter between righteousness and vice, and the enemy has extended his attack to new lines. The great victories won by righteousness seem to have resulted in several things, namely: to arouse the fury of the champions of vice; to cause them to strike back harder than ever and to bring them out into open attack against the church of the Lord Jesus Christ. This only emphasizes the need on the part of the church to increase her strength and fight harder. The adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and the passing of the Volstead Law so far from ending the Prohibition fight has rather brought on a more intense phase in the fight.

The recent campaign against the so-called "Sunday Blue Laws" is nothing short of a direct attack of the champions of vice against the church under the camouflage of "liberal interpretation." The fact is, that the leaders of Moral Reform have not asked Congress to pass any new Moral Laws for the last ten years that could be interpreted as "Blue Laws," nor have they any in hand to propose at this Congress, according to Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, Superintendent of Moral Reform at Washington.

This makes clear that the present furor against Blue Laws is nothing more than a straw man set up by certain interests to give the appearance of reason for attacking the church. These men and these interests come from the masses outside of the church. We must not forget that in the masses outside of the church are the Bolshevist, the Anarchist, the Communists and other enemies of our government.

The Constitution of the U. S. and the Declaration of Independence are founded squarely on the church of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Bible. These people recognize this fact. They know that if the church fails, all good government must crumble, therefore, their most sinister and determined attack is hurled against the church. We see the results of a victory by these forces in Russia and other European countries where they have gotten control of power. The only sure defense against such disaster is the church and the Bible.

There seems to be a growing consciousness of this as evidenced by some of the great daily newspapers which, through their columns, have been been urging attendence at church and Sunday school. We especially commend the Philadelphia North American for its leadership in squarely stating the issue and waging a campaign in the interests of the Sunday school. We recommend that this Conference give expression to its approval by adopting the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That we, the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, realizing the sinister attacks of vice against the intergrity of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ, do hereby express our high commendation of the campaign now being waged by the North American of Philadelphia against the Red propaganda and for the strengthening and building up of the Sunday schools of our country and hereby pledge our support in every political way to assist in the campaign.

There seems to be a growing blindness on the part of the officers of the law to the criminality around them and especially when the law that is being broken happens to be a Moral Law such as Prohibition or Sabbath desecration. We believe that this official blindness is partly responsible for the crime wave that is now sweeping over this country. It has been noticeable in a number of cases that when an officer of the law in the performance of duty has arrested a man of political or financial power, the officer has soon lost his position. This probably is responsible to a large extent for this official blindness. Again it has been persistently charged that, in many cases where the 18th Amendment has been violated, that the officer of the law has been receiving from some source, far more money than his salary. This has evidently been a contributive cause of this blindness.

There is no condemnation too strong for such practice. They can only be curbed by public sentiment. Such public sentiment must find its origin and strongest accent in the church.

We believe that the church should frankly and openly not only espouse the cause of every moral issue, but that she should use her influence for the election of clean men and women to every political position from the lowest to the highest, and for the defeat of any and every candidate who refuses to openly pledge himself, or herself, to the support of the great Moral Issues of the day.

We repeat our pledge to do all in our power for the support of our officials and the enforcement of the law.

We restate our allegiance to the Anti-Saloon League in the great work it is doing and pledge to our continued support. Our confidence in the wise and fearless leadership of the Superintendent, Mr. G. W. Crabbe, and his efficient associate, Mr. J. Bibb Mills, only increase with experience. We are glad to pay tribute to the Women's Christian Temperence Union for the splendid moral standard and high ideals which they have set up and so effectively maintained.

The audacity of the enemies of righteousness was well illustrated in the attempt to nominate Governor Edwards of New Jersey for President of the U. S. on a wet platform. The Convention is to be congratulated upon not taking seriously such a proposal. We are glad to call attention to the fact that Governor Edwards has failed to make good his declaration that he would "make New Jersey as wet as the Atlantic Ocean," and that the present Legislature has practically repudiated his whole wet platform. We sincerely trust that he will be the last of such governors in New Jersey or any other state.

We are astonished at ex-Attorney General Palmer's decision in favor of beer. The purpose of the 18th Amendment and the Volstead Law are perfectly clear to every thoughtful American citizen. That Mr. Palmer should have failed to understand this is unthinkable. The business of the Attorney General is to state the meaning of the law and not to amend it or express what his private desires or opinions might dictate. Therefore, we feel that, in his zeal in behalf of this criminal interest he has ignored the will of the majority of the people of the U. S. and grossly misstated the intent and meaning of the law. We sincerely hope that the new Attorney General, Mr. Daugherty, will give the law its proper meaning and interpretation. We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That we urge the President of the United States to appoint a Commissioner of Internal Revenue, a National Prohibition Commissioner and Directors through the Nation who are known to be personally in favor of the 18th Amendment and its enforcement.

The legalizing of Race Track gambling in Maryland is a matter of deep chagrin and humilation to the Christian citizens of that state. The receiving of the revenue derived from this vicious business makes every citizen in this state a partner of the crime. We urge that every voter in the church use every proper influence for the election of candidates to the coming Legislature who will pledge themselves to its overthrow.

The enemies of the sanctity of the Lord's Day still continue in their attempts to undermine it. We would call attention again to the fact that these enemies come from the same masses outside of the church from whence come also the Anarchist, the Bolshevist, the Communists and all enemies of good government. We call attention to the fact that, in the history of the rise and fall of nations, no nation has ever been able to tamper with or undermine the sanctity of God's Sabbath without paying a terrible penalty for it. We believe that every proper influence should be used for the election of candidates who will pledge thmselves to support the sanctity of the Sabbath Day.

The Court of Appeals, the highest Judical Tribunal of Maryland has declared by a unanimous decision that Professional Baseball on the Lord's Day is a violation of the law of Maryland.

To permit violation of one law will have the tendency to bring about disregard for all law.

The Police authorities of Baltimore City have refused to fully perform their duty as prescribed in section 744 of the laws relating to the Police Department, thereby ignoring and treating with contempt the decision of the Court of Appeals and by so doing are effectually undermining the law abiding spirit of the people of our city and state.

A community meeting held in St. John's Protestant Episcopal Parish House on February 21, 1921, unanimously protested against the lawless Sunday Professional Baseball at Oriole Park and named Messrs. Robert L. Graham, Edwin B. Delcher and Milton W. Gatch, a committee to represent the community adjacent to Oriole Park, and Messrs. L. Judson Westfall, W. Frank Keen and Daniel MacLea, a committee to represent the churches of the 9th and 12th Wards, to take such steps as maybe necessary to suppress this violation of the law of the state as well as a defiant disregard of the public authorities, the court and government of Maryland.

The Lord's Day Alliance in compliance with the request of the above named committees named Messrs. Joshua Levering, Henry S. Dulaney and W. W. Davis, a committee to co-operate with them, and these three committees, through their counsel, Hon. Isaac Lobe Straus, have petitioned the City Court of Baltimore City to direct and order Police Commissioner, Charles D. Gaither, to suppress these Sunday baseball games at Oriole Park, which not only invade the repose and sanctity of the Lord's Day, but seriously tend to the subversion of law, order and good government. Therefore we recommend for adoption, the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That we pledge the Lord's Day Alliance and the two committees with which it is co-operating our united support in the endeavor to obtain an order of the court directing Police Commissioner Gaither to suppress all professional baseball games in the City of Baltimore.

AND, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a special committee be appointed with the committees above named in the further prosecution of this petition for a mandamus by the court directing the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City to fully enforce the Sunday law with reference to professional sports.

We regret that there is no statewide daily paper in Maryland in which moral issues can get fair treatment or equal rights, with vicious interests. We feel that it is high time for the people of Maryland to begin the publication of a statewide daily paper that will stand straight on all moral questions and give equal recognition on all proper interests.

We deplore the announcement of the proposed Dempsey-Carpentier prize fight in this state, and urge the New Jersey authorities to prohibit this disgraceful un-American exhibition.

We are thankful to Almighty God for every victory achieved in the

name of Righteousness and trusting Him for guidance and power, pledge ourselves to "Carry on" in the fight looking for final victory in His name.

(Signed) F. T. LITTLE, Chairman,

JOHN A. WRIGHT, J. L. NICHOLS, J. B. T. ROE, N. J. WINBROW, MURRAY O'DAY.

Report L

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 26)

The Committee on Benevolent Agencies has examined the splendid report of the Board of Deaconess Work and rejoice in the successes of the past year.

It is with pleasure that we note the increasing interest in this work throughout the Conference district, and we commend the different churches and individuals who have made liberal donations to this cause during the year.

We are glad to note the devotion of the deaconesses to their chosen work, and that their labors of love have been blessed of their Master in the many fields of service where they have ministered in the name of the Christ.

It is with appreciation that we note the faithful services of the members of the faculty of the Training School, Rev. Louis Randall, Rev. W. A. Melvin, Rev. J. M. Gill, Rev. A. S. Beane and Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, in teaching the young ladies, according to the prescribed course of the school, and congratulate them on having four of their class who will complete the course, graduate and receive diplomas next May.

We also note with pleasure the material improvement made—the installation of electric lights in the Home, which cost \$405, and also the payment of \$500 on the mortgage of the Home.

The Board should be commended for its efficient management of the affairs of this important work.

We also commend the St. John's Board of Benevolence and the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society for their liberal donations to the churches and ministers of the Conference.

We call the atetntion of the Conference to the expiration of the terms of the following members of the Deaconess Board: Rev. A. S. Beane, Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, Mr. A. R. Lewis, Mrs. T. W. Donoho and Miss May Volke, and recommend that these vacancies be filled at this Conference.

We recommend that \$2,500 be assessed on the district for this work. The committee calls attention to the splendid work of the Maryland

Tract Society and the Maryland Bible Society, and commends these two benevolent agencies to the favorable consideration of the members of the Conference.

J. M. SHERIDAN, Chairman, W. B. JUDEFIND, Secretary.

Of the Board of Deaconess Work

The past year has been one of the most successful years in the history of the deaconess work of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Not only are the deaconesses and the members of the Board of Deaconess Work taking great pride in the splendid home on North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland, but interest is constantly increasing among the members of the Methodist Protestant Church in the Maryland Annual Conference.

The Board appreciates the continued liberal donations of many of the churches and individuals as they have so kindly supplemented the small income of the Board in the times of need. The Board desires to express its sincere thanks to all who have helped in any way, for their kindness.

The report of the committee on deaconess services shows that the deaconess have been faithful to their chosen work, and that their labors of love have brought forth much fruit for the Master in the many fields of service where they have been employed.

We have been more or less handicapped ever since we have been rengaged in the deaconess work. For a long time, we had no deaconess home, and were compelled to board the young ladies in the homes of others, and since we have had our own home and Training School, we have been compelled, during most of the busy part of the church year, to keep our deaconesses sufficiently near the home that they could return each evening, so they could attend classes each morning. We were aware that this plan was not the most satisfactory as far as the church work was concerned, but to see that the wishes of the Annual Conference and the Board of Deaconess Work were carried out in reference to the completion of the course of studies, nothing else could have been done.

We are now happy to report to the Conference at this session that four of our young ladies will graduate next May, and will then be free to go to any part of our Conference at any time of the year. Miss Lillian N. DeMoss, Miss Mary E. Ford, Miss Sara E. Cullun and Miss Myrtle Baus, all of whom have been faithful to their work and successful in their studies, will be graduated. Plans are now being made to hold commencement exercises at St. John's Church, Baltimore, Maryland, on Tuesday, May 17th, next. We shall present each graduate with a diploma, showing that she has completed the course of studies which was prescribed by the Training School.

The Board desires to express its appreciation and thanks to Rev. Louis Randall, Rev. W. A. Melvin, Rev. J. M. Gill, Rev. A. S. Beane and Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, members of the faculty of the Training School, for their faithful and free services in teaching these young ladies;

and we are sure that this Annual Conference joins the Board in this appreciation and thanks.

Miss Georgia Mason, from our Christ Church, Atlantic City, New Jersey, is completing her second year at the Maryland General Hospital in Baltimore, where she is taking the full three-year's course in nursing. She has one more year, and she has declared her intention to apply for admission into the deaconess work of the Maryland Conference on completing her course at the hospital. Miss Mason is one of the very best students at the hospital, and is spoken of most highly by those at the head of the institution.

Miss Maybelle Waples, a member of our Bethany Church, Baltimore, has finished her six months' course of training at the Maryland General Hospital and is now at the deaconess home, ready for the diaconate work at the Training School and to take up the practical work of a deaconess. The Deaconess Board is encouraged to hope that Miss Waples will become an efficient and consecrated deaconess.

Miss Lillian N. DeMoss, who has been recognized by every one as the head deaconess, because of her long service under the direction of the Board, has recently been unanimously elected "Head Deaconess." Miss DeMoss is in every way worthy and capable of filling this responsible position; and the other members of the deaconess family are pleased with this arrangement, and all are happy.

The home has been kept in good repair, and during the year, electric lights throughout the entire home have been installed at a cost of \$405, most of which has been paid without taking money from the Conference appropriation. Members of the Board and their friends, with some donations from a few of our churches, have taken care of this expense, thus adding materially to the value of this splendid property.

The ladies of the Board, who compose the "house committee," have kept an oversight of the home, as well as to look after the needs of the deaconesses. Their valuable services mean much to the success of the home in many ways.

We have paid \$500 on the mortgage of the home this year, and we desire to reduce the remaining indebtedness of \$2,000 as rapidly as posisble. It will mean so much to the work to rid the Board of this debt, as paying interest, and also, at least \$500 on the principal each year, cuts down our financial resources considerably, and to that extent interferes with the success of the work.

We respectfully request that the annual conference will continue the present appropriation of \$2,500 at least for the ensuing year, though that amount is not sufficient to meet the needs of the work. To prevent having to face a deficit one year hence, we shall confidently hope that the churches and the friends of the deaconess work will continue to contribute money for the use of the Board, and donations of provisions for the home.

The terms of Rev. A. S. Beane, Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, Mr. A. R. Lewis, Mrs. T. W. Donoho and Miss Mae Volk expire at this Conference, and their successors must be elected.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN, President,

A. S. BEANE, Secretary.

Of the Treasurer of the Deaconess Home

April 1, 1920, To balance	
Receipts 1920-21	4,479.59
Disbursements 1920-21	\$4,523.89 4,248.06
Balance	\$ 275.83
Liabilities	
Balance on Mortgage	\$2,000.00
Due Mrs. Kate Bryan (note)	200.00
Due Baker, Watts (note)	500.00
Coal Bill	31.50
Six moths interest on Mortgage	

\$2,791.50

HARRY K. MULLER, Treasurer.

Report M

OFFICIAL RELATIONS

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 37)

The official report of all of the ministers and preachers have been carefully examined. We find no serious irregularities but would suggest to each pastor a closer examination of the official blanks in order to avoid discrepancies: for instance, last year there were nine churches reported not incorporated, this year nineteen. Thirty-eight charges reported not giving Disciplines to new members. Forty-eight charges reported not having elected a lady visitor to our church home. The report blanks show four hundred and thirty-five subscribers to our church paper.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. We recommend that the brethren indebted to the Board of Ministerial Education meet their obligations to that Board without delay.
 - 2. That the Official character of each minister and preacher be passed.
- 3. That T. R. Woodford be loaned to the Women's Board of Home Missions for one year, and that P. L. Rice be granted a Supernumerary relation, and that L. A. Bennett be left without an appointment to pursue Evangelistic work for one year.
- 4. We recommend that the request from the Trustees and Membership of the Hauley Memorial Church at Monterey, Pa., for the loan of Paul F. Warner for one year be granted.
 - 5. That the request of Alden J. Allen, President of the Pittsburgh

Conference and the First Church, South Side, Pittsburgh, for the loan of K. K. Haddaway for one year be granted.

6. We recommend that J. R. Wright be continued as Army Chaplain.

We report that all the charges except twenty-three are on the honor roll, as follows:

Accomoc, Alexandria, Amelia, Alnutt Memorial, Bethany, Broadway, Brooklyn, Calvary, Chesaco Park, Christ Church, South Baltimore, Eutaw, Evergreen, Hampden, Keen Memorial, Lauraville, Lowe Memorial, North Baltimore, Payson Street, South Baltimore, Starr, St. John's, St. Paul's, Trinity (Baltimore), Violetville, Waverly, West Baltimore, Wilton Heights, Baltimore Circuit, Bedford, Belair, Bivalve, Buckeystown, Cambridge, Cambridge Circuit, Cannon, Caroline, Cecil, Centreville, Chestertown, Clayton, Conquest, Crisfield, Mariners, First Church (Cumberland), Mapleside, Melvin Chapel, Deer Creek, Deer Park, Delmar, Delta, Denton, Dorchester, Dover, Easton, Elizabeth, Fairfax, Fawn Grove, Federalsburg, Finksburg, First Church (Newark), Franklin City, Georgetown (Del.), Greenbush and Tasley, Harbeson, Harmony Grove, Harper's Ferry, Harrington, Howard, Hurlock, Indian River, Kemptown, Kennedyville, Kent Island, Laurel, Leeds, Leipsic, Lewis, Liberty, Linthicum Heights, Lisbon, Lynchburg, Marley, Milford, Milton, New Church, New Market, Nichols Memorial, Oxford, Parksley, Patapsco, Emmanuel (Philadelphia), St. Luke's, Taylor Memorial, Pipe Creek, Pittsville, Pocomoke Circuit, Pocomoke City, Potomac, Powellville, Quantico, Reliance, Rowlandville, Salem, Salisbury, Seaford, Sharptown, Snow Hill, Stewartstown, St. James, St. Michaels, Susquehanna, Texas, Trinity, Union, Union Bridge, Wallace Memorial, Cherrydale, First Church (Washington), Georgetown (D. C.), Mt. Tabor, North Carolina Avenue, Rhode Island Avenue, Westminster, Wesley Chapel of Kent, First Church (Wilmington), Whaleyville, Wye.

The Conference heartily expresses thanks to the trustees, pastor and members of this church for the use of its magnificient building in which to hold its ninety-third session, and to the ladies for the bountiful lunch so splendidly served. That our appreciation be extended to the Baltimore Sun and the Newark Evening News for the splendid accounts given in their columns of our daily sessions. We further express our thanks to the Emmanuel German Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of its rooms so kindly placed at the disposal of this Conference and to all others who have in any way contributed to our comfort.

Signed C. E. DRYDEN,

J. T. BAILEY,

J. T. NORRIS,

W. A. MELVIN,

T. P. FISHER,

G. W. PEARCE.

Report N

MISSION

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 32)

Your committee having examined the reports of the various Mission Boards is much gratified to note the progress that has been made in our mission fields. It is with profound gratitude to Almighty God for the measure of success that has been attained by our Mission Boards that we submit this resume of the year's work of the various missionary enterprises of our church.

The report of the Board of Foreign Missions reveals the work of the Board to be in a very flourishing condition. In Japan new land has been purchased, a new church and parsonage erected and improvements made on the Nagoya College property. The educational work is steadily developing in the Tokyo Blind School, the Yokohama Night School and the Nagoya College, the latter now having an enrollment of 674 young men. Rev. E. I. Obee will soon return to the field and other young men are expected to follow soon thereafter.

In Kalgan China the Boy's School has recently been completed at a cost of \$5,000. New land has also been bought which gives access to the city.

In India splendid property has been recently purchased for the Boy's School. Four buildings for the Girls' School are near completion. The British government has granted to the Mission 100 acres of land, which is being developed so that the Mission may become self-supporting.

The evangelistic work in all the mission fields shows marked advance. We recommend that all our Sunday schools observe Children's Day and that all Children's Day offerings be definitely designated as such so that they may go to the Foreign Missionary Board in full.

The report of the W. F. M. S. reveals that considerable progress has been made. Four new societies have been organized. More money was raised this year than last. We earnestly urge all churches that have not yet organized W. F. M. S. to do so that the goal of 50 new auxiliaries and 1,500 new members might be realized. It is with heart-felt grief that we make mention of the death of Miss Alice Mae Shepherd. We cannot understand why God should have taken this faithful, efficient and consecrated missionary from her beautiful earthly labors, especially when we consider the great need of such workers in the foreign field; but God knows best and "doeth all things well"; and we hope and pray that God will call someone else to take up the work she was so faithfully and earnestly doing.

The report of the Board of Home Missions reveals that large plans are being made for the future and in view of the imperative needs of this Board, we recommend that greater emphasis be laid along the line of cooperation, upon the Easter services. All Easter offerings should carefully be stated as such so that the Board might receive them in full. We also urge that our churches organize Home Mission study classes wherever possible so that greater interest might be stimulated in the work of the Board.

The work of the Maryland Branch Woman's Home Missionary Society reveals a very creditable showing. Financial help has been extended to the work at Pine Ridge Kentucky, also the Pittsburgh mission and North Carolina Orphanage to the amount of \$2,100. The Society is planning for a Maryland Girls' Home for working girls whose salary is too small for comfortable home conditions elsewhere, that they might be enabled to have a wholesome life for a small sum of money. It is hoped that this Conference will endorse the plan and extend both moral and financial support if possible. In view of the worthy desire of this organization to have Conference to designate some day in the year to be known as "Girls' Home Day" at which time a collection is to be taken in the various churches for the support of this home—we recommend that the second Sunday in February be observed by all our churches as "Girl's Home Day," and that the money collected for the "Girl's Home" be credited on the budget.

We wish to offer a suggestion which has already been carried out successfully by several of our churches, namely, that all of our Sunday schools hold monthly missionary rallies. By so doing the spirit of missions will more greatly be manifest in not only the Sunday schools, but will reveal itself to greatly multiply blessings and advantages both materially and spiritually, to the whole local and general church.

Respectfully submitted, S. F. CASSEN, Chairman.

A. W. EWELL, Secretary.

Of the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church:

Greetings to the Maryland Annual Conference in session in Newark, N. J., from the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

We submit the following report of our work for the year ending March 1, 1921.

We are thankful for what it has been our privilege to accomplish the past year. We have had many pleasant things to come to us, and a sad happening which is hard to understand. The death of "our own" missionary, Miss Alice Mae Shepherd, was a great shock to all and she will be greatly missed in the work; but, believing "God's way is the best way and we will some day understand," we are hoping and praying that some one else will feel the call to take up the work she was so faithfully doing.

Four (4) new auxiliaries have been organized during the year and a gain of 158 members was reported. We are hoping and will work for more new auxiliaries this year; we want every charge in the conference to have the women enlisted in our work, we need them; the work is increasing each day. The goal for this year, given us by our president, Mrs. L. F. Warner, is 50 auxiliaries and 1500 members. We hope to reach this goal and trust the pastors will help us by their co-operation, which will be greatly appreciated. We must work together if we are to send the blessed gospel to all the world.

A legacy of \$530 from the late Mrs. Ann Catherine Baker, of Buck-

eystown, Md., was gratefully received and applied to the work in Japan. The support of scholarships Bible readers and native teachers is being carried by various auxiliaries.

Recepits for the year were \$5,956.12.

MRS. W. E. KINDLEY, Correspnoding Sec'y.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Maryland Branch of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has just closed its most successful year since organization. We have not grown in the number of new auxiliaries as we had hoped, only two—Linthicum Heights and Mardella Springs.

Last year we reported \$1,300.00 raised; this year we have \$2,200.00

and 275 new members.

At the board meeting last May Dr. Woodford asked for a new heating plant, new lighting system, new dormitories for the girls and that we purchase the farm for sale next to our Mission School to prevent undesirable people being too near the school. We knew to do these things we would have to borrow the money, and as we wanted our missionaries to be as comfortable as possible to carry on the splendid work they are doing, not only in our county but in other parts of the state, as they are helping make the Methodist Protestant denomination in Kentucky what it has never been before.

We borrowed the money for these improvements, and have just met the last note, and all is clear of debt; but now the boys dormitories are too small and we must erect additional ones before next fall.

Five years ago we had one worker on a salary of \$25.00 a month—today we have five workers and are paying them \$250.00 a month and all

expenses.

The Maryland Branch is planning to open a Methodist Protestant Home for girls in Baltimore as soon as we possibly can without interfering with our other work. Unfortunately we have no organizer, so we are asking each minister to make himself an organizer and organize a W. H. M. S. in his church.

So together we will each do his bit to help carry on the work that Christ commenced while on earth and finally to hear His "Well Done." MRS. E. A. CRAIG, President.

MRS. PAUL CULLISON, Corresponding Secretary.

Report O CHURCH HOME

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 31)

After examining several papers submitted to us, your committee submits the following report:

We are grateful for the many sacrificial services that are given to this most worthy charity. We wish to make special note of the splendid services of Miss Kate Murray, Matron, who in spite of physical weakness bears the whole burden of caretaking alone. She has been placed in this position

by the lamented death of Miss Amanda Stewart, Asst. Matron, August 2nd, 1920. We are sorry to learn of the many cases of sickness during the year and the death of two inmates.

We are rejoiced to learn of the many contributions of money and other things that were made, there being 36 charges that gave donations besides many individual gifts of various kinds were received. We recommend the holding of Harvest Home services in all churches and that all products of field and garden received in them shall be forwarded to our Church Home. It is requested by this committee that each church take up a collection during every communion service and proceeds not needed for local poor be sent to our Church Home by the Lady Visitors.

Bequests from members and friends of our Conference are earnestly solicited. We trust that proper oversight will prevent prospective inmates from disposing of their property after they have formed an intention to enter the Home. It is advocated that the pastor of those about to enter the Home assume charge and prevent such disposition.

The heartiest interest and co-operation is urged in the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Home on July 17th, 1921. We heartily approve the proposal of the Special Committee on Church Home that an offering of \$10,000 be asked for at that time. Such a sum is needed and more besides because the building must shortly be enlarged to house those who would enter its doors. There were only eighty-six Lady Visitors elected this year. Every charge should elect such an officer.

We note with extreme regret that \$1,000 this year was deflected from its place in the Invested Fund to meet the needs of ordinary running expenses. This ought not so to be. We must not as a Conference long submit to such humiliating policy. To prevent further use of such moneys and to meet the constantly enlarging expenses of running the Institution and to make repairs and improvements that are obligatory and can no longer be postponed, we recommend that an assessment of \$8,000 for the Church Home be levied on the District.

The following substitute was adopted for the last recommendation: "That the assessment for the Church Home be the same as levied on the District for last year. And that an offering be taken at this session to reimburse the Home for the \$500 paid as its part of the underwriting for the expense of the Inter-Church Campaign. (Secretary.)

Respectfully submitted,
AVERY DONOVAN, Chairman,
C. D. DAY, Secretary,
N. O. GIBSON,
DR. E. B. FENBY,
L. H. LECATES.

Of the Board of Lady Visitors

The Ladies' Board of The Home for the Aged submits the following report:

We have been much encouraged during the past year by the great increase of interest in the needs of the Home, as shown by the number and character of the donations sent. We appreciate the fact that the Lady Visitors in some of the charges are "on the job," as we have received donations from 35 churches and many individuals.

They come from far and near, and were most useful and substantial gifts. The list includes jarred fruit and jelly, canned goods, pickle, fresh fruit and vegetables, cereals, groceries, flour, sugar, candy, eggs, fowl, pork, oysters, table linen, furniture, china, silverware, matting, victrola records, money etc.

The following churches sent donations:

Atlantic, Mardela Springs, Denton, North Carolina, Ave., Brookville, Poplar Springs, Mt. Gilead, St. John's, Violetville, Sandyville, Harper's Ferry, Felton, Harmony, Salem, Uniontown, St. James, Salisbury, Fawn Grove, Wilton Heights, Taylor Memorial, Christ Church (Baltimore), Sharptown, Pocomoke, West Baltimore, North Baltimore, Linthicum Heights, First Church (Newark), Starr, Howard, Laurel, Congress St., Hampden, Bayview of Cecil, Union Bridge and Cambridge.

The Christmas treat was made possible by the friends of the Home responding to the appeal for funds for this purpose. The spirit of Santa Claus was abroad in the land Christmas morning, and the Old Folks were made as happy as children by these generous gifts. The Ladies' Board also was happy and greatly cheered to receive the almost immediate response to its call for help. What a fine old fellow Santa Claus is after all.

The past year has been unusually hard for both the Matron and the Board. Immediately after the annual meeting last March, our Assistant Matron, Miss Amanda Stewart, became ill and was confined to her bed until her death, August 2nd. Her suffering was intense, yet she bore it with the greatest fortitude, thinking always of others and not of herself. Everyone loved Miss Amanda, especially the ladies in the Home, who still mourn her loss. Her place has not been filled: it cannot be filled; consequently we have been worrying along with inferior assistants, due to the existing "servant question."

The Matron, Miss Murray, has not been at all well, and no one can appreciate the difficulties she has passed through, owing to inefficient help. She is always at her post, though many times she is physically unequal to the tasks. The Board helps her whenever it is possible to do so. We persuaded her to take a much needed rest for a week in September, and we each took a day at running the household. If you think it an easy job, try just one day at it.

The majority of the old folks have been in their usual good health, but we have had more sickness during the past year than in any one year since this Board has had charge. Several of the ladies were extremely ill, requiring a nurse for five weeks. Mr. Brooks, who is a helpless invalid, has been very much worse, necessitating an extra man to help with him at times. At present they are all convalescing. We regret to report the death of two ladies—Miss Maria Yingling, aged 80; and Miss Mahala Watson, aged 90.

Three ladies and one man have been admitted the past year. There are now 23 inmates in the Home, and, our entire family, including Matron, assistant and colored man, numbers 26. There is only one vacancy at the present time.

Only the necessary repairs have been made, and only one improve-

ment, that of fitting up a room adjoining the kitchen as a storeroom and pantry. Some money was donated especially for this work by friends who realized the pressing need for such a convenience.

Visitors' Day was not held during the Summer Conference, owing to illness in the Home. We expect to make a special feature of this during the Conference this year, due notice of which will be given. We hope all friends of the Home and of the old folks will make a great effort to visit the Home on that day, but we especially wish to impress upon the ministers and Lady Visitors of each charge the most urgent need of their presence on this occasion.

The responsibilities and worries of housekeeping are always with us, but we can overcome them if we have the assurance that our friends throughout the Maryland Conference are interested in this worthy charity.

We thank all who remembered the Home so generously last year, and pray for your continued support and co-operation.

Respectfully.

The Board of Lady Visitors,

MRS. CHAS. BILLINGSLEA, President,

MRS. DENTON S. GEHR, Vice President,

MRS. CARROLL ALBAUGH, Recording Secretary.

MRS. T. H. LEWIS, Corresponding Secretary,

MRS. GEORGE K. MATHER,

MRS. J. PEARRE WANTZ.

MRS. H. L. ELDERDICE.

Of the Treasurer

President and Members, Maryland Annual Conference of M. P. Church.

Sirs.—I herewith hand you my report of receipts and disbursements as Treasurer of the Home for the Aged showing total receipts of \$7,206.93 and disbursements of \$7,222.13 and an overdraft of \$15.20.

Last year our Board asked for \$6,000 to meet the necessary increased expenses, this amount was exceeded by \$1,222.13, and we recommend that the amount for this Home be raised this year to \$8,000 for the following seasons:

First. Our Home will be filled to its capacity this coming year, and on account of the death of the Assistant Matron, we are compelled to employ additional help.

Second. The increased number to care for this coming year will of course make it necessary to spend more for board, water and light and other incidental expenses which are bound to occur.

Third. There are some parts of the building that will have to be repaired at once, not only for the comfort and health of the inmates, but for the preservation of the building.

Our Lady Board of Visitors deserve much credit for the great interest they take in the management, and it is only because of this interest that the cost of running the Home is not very much larger, for nothing escapes their notice, and each and every thing purchased must have their approval, and this in itself is the best safeguard against extravagance and leaks.

We were compelled to use \$1,000 of the invested fund this year

to meet the expenses, and you will notice from my report, that quite a sum of the assessments for this year have already been paid and turned in by Mr. Nowlin, Treasurer, and all of these were used, and if the amount for next year is not increased to \$7,000, it will be necessary to use more of the invested fund during the coming year than was used this year.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1920 Receipts	
March 9, Balance as shown by previous report	300.36
March 22, Carl H. Warehime, Union Bridge	4.60
March 29, Mrs. T. P. Fisher, Denton M. P. Church	9.00
March 30, Rev. I. S. Owens	3.00
April 6, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	724.00
April 6, Minerva Bible Class, Christ M. P. Church, Balto	50.00
April 6, Finksburg Charge	15.00
April 14, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	
April 19, Uniontown Church, Pipe Creek Charge	9.00
April 30, Cash from a friend	15.49
May 8, Ladies' Aid Society, Bedford Circle	5.00
June 1, Mrs. E. Allen Craig, Starr Church, Baltimore	5.00
June 1, Cash from Investment Fund	500.00
July 8, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	71.20
July 13, Cash	6.85
July 14, St. James' Church	7.75
August 7, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	65.02
August 7, B. A. Bryan, Cumberland, Md	5.00 7.69
August 17, Donation—Kate Murray, Matron	6.00
August 17, Bonation—Rate Murray, Matron	6.00
September 1, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	91.13
September 15, Carl H. Warehime, Union Bridge	8.45
September 25, King's Daughters S. S. Class, Cumberland	17.27
October 1, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	72.86
October 1, Cash from Investment Fund	500.00
October 1, Board of Beneficence, St. John's Church, Baltimore	50.00
October 8, Mount Gilead Church, Woodensburg, Md	2.00
October 30, St. James Church, C. R. Skiven	5.36
November 3, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	139.12
November 29, Thanksgiving Offering, St. John's Church, Balto	39.00
December 1, Thanksgiving Offering, Wilton Heights Church	11.40
December 2, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	25.04
December 10, Carl Warehime, Union Bridge	3.75
1921	
January 3, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	238.85
January 4, B. Frank Fuller, Christmas Turkey	9.90
January 10, J. A. Snyder, Amelia, Va	5.00
January 13, Union Bridge M. P. Church	10.00
January 14, Pocomoke M. P. S. School	10.00

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January 14, Cash from Lady Board of Visitors	15.00
January 28, John M. Watson	120.00
	259.35
February 2, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	4.50
February 9, Red Men Lodge for Mr. Brooks	10.00
February 26, Cash, Mrs. Griffee	19.00
March 3, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	411.05
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Total Receipts for Year	37,206.93
Overdraft for Year Ending	15.20
	7,222.13
Disbursements	
Amount paid to George R. Grumbine for Meat	913.89
Amount paid to George R. Grumbine for Groceries	167.89
Little & Weller, Laundry	425.73
Water	57.98
Gas	28.95
Electric Light	105.16
Electric Supplies	14.29
Morris Mitten, Bread	266.46
George N. Hunter for Groceries	101.01
Wm. F. Myers & Sons, Pork	110.15
Services of Practical Nurse	43.75
Joseph B. Boyle for Drugs	74.25
Interest paid on Deposit Money to Visitors	71.11
E. W. Hooper, Cleaning Dry Well.	170.00
Lumber, Coal & Supply Company for Wood	19.92
Charles B. Hunter, Repairs	114.30
T. W. Mather & Sons, Supplies	99.73
Denton S. Gehr, Hardware	290.86
Ice & Coal Storage Company for Ice	85.62
Labor	104.75
John H. Young for Eggs	42.66
Fire Insurance	54.50
Times Printing Company for Printing	30.67
F. A. Sharrer & Son, Yingling Funeral	96.00
Howard E. Koontz for Milk	303.01
A. J. Arbaugh, Laundry	117.00
R. A. Fogle for Chickens	21.70
Jos. L. Mathias, Setting Tomb Stone	47.00
Kate Murray, Matron, Cash for Meat	22.00
Sam Engleman, Barber	2.50
C. V. Rebert for Butter	251.48
E. Bollinger for Lard	67.01
F. A. Sharrer & Son for Furniture	118.50
Dr. L. K. Woodward, Services	196.50
E. O. Grimes, Hauling	3.30
Smith & Reifsnider, Lumber	2.09
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The Investments we hold remain the same as my last report, consisting of \$4,000 6 per cent Consolidation Coal Company Bonds and \$1,000 6 per cent Elk Horn Coal Corporation Bond.

Respectfully submitted,
J. PEARRE WANTZ, Treasurer.
Westminster, Maryland, March 10, 1921.

\$4,108.09

We, the undersigned auditing committee appointed by the President to examine the accounts of Jas. Pearre Wantz, Treasurer of the Home for the Aged, beg to advise that we have carefully examined all the accounts of said treasurer, and have found them correct in every respect, and supported by the proper vouchers.

Respectfully,

E. O. GRIMES.

T. W. MATHER,

F. K. HERR.

Report P

AUDIT

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 23)

June 21, 1920.

Maryland Annual Conference:

Your committee examined, as far as posible, the cash and disbursements accounts in the Conference Treasurer's Report, and found the same to be correct. After making a careful examination on the above date of all items and found them correct in every particular. All money has been duly accounted for and properly disbursed.

On the above date the balance in hand in the First National Bank, Havre de Grace, Md., was \$3,651.41 with outstanding checks to the amount of \$2,346.85, leaving a balance to the credit of the Conference Treasurer of \$1,304.56.

(Signed) H. S. JOHNSON,

W. W. SMITH.

A. W. EWELL.

Of the Committee for Session 1921

Your committee reports that it has examined the accounts of the Secretary of Conference. The annual report of the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, and the Treasurer's report of the President's parsonage, and do hereby certify that the same are correct.

FRANK A. HOLLAND, N. C. CLOUGH, BRADY V. SHAHAN.

Report Q

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

(See Journal, page 22)

To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear Brethren:

The Program Committee met Thursday, January 30th, at the Book Rooms. Their conclusions are found in the printed program now ready for distribution.

The committee, acting in accordance with the changes made in the Manual at our last session of Conference, thought it wise to arrange such services for the evening sessions as would be interesting, not only to the membership of the Conference, but also to the members and friends of this church who are our hosts for this session.

Your committee recommends the suspension for this session, of Section 1, Rule 7, one Order of Business, relating to Devotional Services, and that on each day of the Conference Devotionals shall be from 10.45 to 11 a.m.

Also the suspension, for this session, of Section 6, Rule 6, and putting in lieu of the day and hour named therein, Wednesday, 4 o'clock. Likewise the suspension for this session of that part of Section 7, Rule 6, pertaining to Friday's sessions.

We have arranged the program, calling for the adjournment of Conference on Monday Night. We believe the business can be completed by that time, and taking into consideration the distance of travel and expense involved, believe it a wise conclusion, and we so recommend.

G. I. HUMPHREYS, Secretary.

Report R

THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY

(See Journal, page 23)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the Methodist Protestant Church in Baltimore City, with due respect, submits its report for the conference year ending April 1st, 1921.

The Board of Directors remains the same as heretofore reported, as do also the relations of the society to the educational institutions of the church.

The income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund has been promptly passed to the Treasurer of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary to be used for the education of young men for the ministry of our denomination in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said fund.

To help meet an emergency in the business condition of the church

paper the Trustees of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate were unable to make the usual annual appropriation of five hundred dollars to our society for the education of young men for our ministry. The Directors of our society heartily approved of the action of the Conference Trustees in helping meet the emergency and believe the said Trustees will promptly renew the appropriation when conditions justify their doing so.

F. T. LITTLE, President.

J. W. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

Report S

SUMMER CONFERENCE

(See Journal, page 31)

The Summer Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church held its annual session last year with an attendance somewhat smaller than the previous year. The program was more expensive than in other years and a small deficit is shown in the report of the Treasurer attached.

The Executive Committee in its last meeting instructed the President to ask the Conference for a continuation of its annual appropriation of The Program Committee meeting after the Executive Committee decided that the program for the coming session should be made up of ministers of the Maryland Conference who are to discuss the problems peculiar to the life and task of the ministry. It was thought that the meeting of the Young People's Institutes just prior to the meeting of the Summer Conference would provide the inspiration and instruction for the laity of the church and it would be an advantage for the Summer Conference to return to its original idea of furnishing a retreat for ministers. This action of the Program Committee may not require so large a sum for the expenses of the Conference as heretofore but if the Conference could see its way clear to allow us a credit of that amount we will promise to return all that is not used and still may be able to take advantage of any special opportunities that may present themselves for the making up of the best possible program. The plan we have in mind will be useful in developing our own men, assuring all that the discussions will come from those whose tasks are common, and revealing to all of us the hidden talents that are within our own group. For this year we urge the attendance of all the members of the Conference that they may test the advantages of the new plan, and lay the plans for a better conduct of the Summer Conference for the coming years.

The Summer Conference offers a retreat for the ministers of our church where they may find the most intimate fellowship with men of their own craft, a period for the untrammelled discussion of the technical problems of their work and a time of retirement for rest and prayer in the vacation days of the year. Its blessings are largely proportionate to the numbers in attendance and we exhort every minister of the Conference to

come for what he may be able to give others as well as for the blessings that may come to his soul.

The generous invitation of the President of Western Maryland College for the ministers to come as the guests of the College will make it possible for the man with the smallest salary to attend and his gracious hospitality ought to be accepted by the largest number of men who have ever enjoyed this delightful coming together of men of kindred minds and tasks.

R. L. SHIPLEY, President.

EDGAR T. READ, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report of the Summer Conference

Receipts

Aug. 1, 1919, Balance on hand	\$101.70	
July 21, 1920, G. I. Humphreys, Maryland Conference Appropriation	300.00	-
Aug. 5, 1920, Donation from a friend	10.00	
Aug. 7, 1920, Balance from the Expenses of entertaining	10.00	
Summer Conference	25.00	
Aug. 7, 1920, Borrowed by authority of Summer Confer-	20.00	
ence to make up deficit	12.28	
Total Receipts		\$448.98
Disbursements		
Sept. 8, 1919 Edgar Read, postage	1.00	
Sept. 9, 1919, Times Printing Co. for stationery	9.00	
June 10, 1920, E. T. Read, expenses Program Committee	3.69	
June 10, 1920, R. L. Shipley, expenses Program Com	4.34	
June 10, 1920, E. A. Sexsmith, expenses Program Co	2.93	
July 19, 1920, E. A. Sexsmith, expenses Treasurer's Book		
and postage	1.10	
Aug. 5, 1920, Dr. D. A. Hayes, lecturer	150.00	
Aug. 5, 1920, Dr. Charles Goodell, lecturer	200.00	
Aug. 5, 1920, Dr. Edwin Lewis, expenses	35.00	
Aug. 5, 1920, Westminster Hotel, bill entertaining Dr.		
Lewis	26.50	
Aug. 7, 1920, J. Roland Taylor, printing bill	15.42	
Total Disbursements		\$448.98
Local Disputsements		ψ440.00

WM. L. HOFFMAN, Treasurer.

Report T

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT COMMISSION

(See Journal, page 32)

April 9th, 1921.

In accordance with the action of the last session of this Conference, the Forward Movement Commission met promptly and undertook to carry out the wish of the Conference in the interests committed to it. Your committee herein reports:

That quotas were apprortioned and sent to all the charges.

An interpretation of the action of the Conference on the Inter-Church campaign in the Conference by T. H. Lewis, who offered the adopted paper was also sent to all the pastors.

The Conference District was divided into sections, grouping the charges and the teams of speakers carrying Inter-Church literature and lantern slides, visited the various centers. Following this, questionnaires, seeking information about the campaign in the local churches were sent out. Ninety-seven out of one hundred and fifty-two charges replied. Fifty-seven reported nothing raised; most of them declining to take the offering; forty reported a total of \$28,600 subscribed, and fifty-five did not report at all.

The action of the General Conference concerning the Inter-Church Movement as affecting further subscriptions, and that of the Board of Conference Presidents at Baltimore directing the Inter-Church payments to the General Conference budget; also the interpretation of said action whereby charges should receive credit on budget for the conference year in which the payments were made, were circulated.

While financially the Forward Movement was not as successful as desired, yet it cannot be considered a failure either in Christian stewardship of money or service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. STRAUGHN, Chairman.

G. W. HADDAWAY, Secretary.

Report U ON PREPARATION OF BLANKS

(See Journal, page 24)

To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Brethren:

Your Special Committee named at the last session of Conference to co-operate with the Secretary in the preparation of Blanks, met in January. In view of the fact that already there was with the Secretary's office sufficient supplies, we thought it the part of economy to make use of our

material; accordingly we had printed only the small envelopes for the financial summary; the financial blanks on hand prepared for this session by the addition of a printed slip attached thereto. It was a matter of co-operation on the part of the Treasurer, Steward and Secretary, and we think the plan satisfactory to the pastors.

We recommend:

- 1. That, for this year's Minutes, another column be added to those of the assessments, to be headed "For Pastor's Salary." So that the salary of each charge will be listed for the coming year. And that the Secretary be authorized to obtain such information from the delegate or pastor of each charge, during the session, for publication in the Minutes. And that the words, "Assessed for Pastor's salary," with space for such information, be included on the blanks to be furnished for next Conference.
- 2. That the column for "Anti-Saloon League" be discontinued, and that the money raised therefor be put under "Miscellaneous General Interests."
- 3. That the column for "Current expenses of the Sunday school" be discontinued, and the amount raised therefor be placed under "Miscellaneous Local Interests."

The first recommendation relative to pastor's salary is made that emphasis may be laid for all churches to conform with the Disciplinary regulation to fix the pastor's salary at the fourth quarterly conference. We also believe it will aid the President in his efforts to bring up the minimum salaries. Likewise because we believe that salaries to be paid for the coming year ought to be as much a matter of Conference record as the assessments levied.

The second and third recommendations are made in order to accommodate the necessary changes in the printing of the statistical columns with a minimum of cost.

Signed G. I. HUMPHREYS, Secretary, C. P. NOWLIN, Treasurer, J. A. DUDLEY, Steward.

Report V

\$100,000 ADDITION TO PERMANENT FUND OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY

(See Journal, page 32)

As chairman of the committee, I do not see how the Drive can be put on the coming year.

This, in view of the General Conference Budget, which has been accepted by this Conference. The raising of the \$100,000 should not be delayed longer than this year. We must devise some plan by which to more equitably take care of our Superannuated Ministers. The present income is not doing this.

I suggest that this Conference, through the present or another committee, authorize the preparation of plans by which the campaign for

\$100,000, to be added to the Invested Fund, should begin immediately following the next session of this Conference. Because of financial conditions a meeting of the committee was not called this year.

Respectfully submitted, G. W. HADDAWAY, Chairman.

Report W

TO CO-OPERATE WITH OUR CHURCH HOME

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 33)

Your Special Committee to co-operate with our Church Home begs leave to report that a Joint Meeting was held at the Book Rooms, 316 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., Thursday, March 31, 1921.

The affairs of the Home were discussed and the management was heartily commended. The lack of sufficient funds for running expenses was found to be a source of very serious embarrassment.

The following recommendation was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That this Annual Conference approve the holding of the 25th Anniversary of the Home Sunday, June 17th, 1921, and also the raising of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) by the Board of Managers as a birthday offering for the permanent fund.

G. M. CLAYTON, Chairman.

E. A. SEXSMITH, Secretary.

Report X

ON CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 29)

A.—Expense of Travel.

The establishment of a pro rata basis of expense in reaching the seat of Conference for each minister and delegate—the said basis shall be determined by someone designated—that each minister and delegate shall pay his pro rata part of the said basis at a time designated before the sitting of the Conference—that from the amount of the said basis each minister and delegate shall receive the cost of his round-trip ticket to the seat of Conference.

B.—Expense of Entertainment.

1. That each charge shall be assessed an amount equal to 1 per cent of the assessed salary for pastor. No man is eligible for entertainment unless his church has paid the apportionment.

- 2. All members of the Conference, including supplies, are eligible.
- 3. No man can make a claim on the Conference if entertained by friends or remains in his own home.
- 4. In lieu of money for board, a member is permitted to charge for his carfare to and from the seat of Conference as the case may be, excluding the first trip. Maximum amount allowed shall be \$2.00 per day.

(Signed) C. P. NOWLIN, G. I. HUMPHREYS, W. C. SCOTT.

Report Y

Of the Special Committee on Readjustments of Circuits

(Located in Howard, Frederick and Carroll Counties)

(See Journal, page 23)

Your committee reports that it has held three meetings during the year, giving due consideration to all charges concerned. The following recommendations were adopted by the committee at its second meeting and referred to the quarterly conferences for their favorable action.

We recommend:

- 1. That the President of the Conference, the Superintendent of Church Extension, the Pastor of Frederick Charge and J. T. Dronburg be a committee to open negotiations with the proper authorities of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the closing of our Fairview Church on Frederick Charge, providing the Methodist Episcopal Church closes either Johnsville or Liberty, or taking any other action toward the closing of said church.
- 2. That Johnsville Church be detached from Liberty Charge and attached to Union Bridge Charge.
- 3. That Central Church be detached from Frederick Charge and attached to Liberty Charge.
- 4. That Ridgeville be detached from Lisbon Charge and attached to Frederick Charge with the further recommendation that the Conference be asked to help sustain the pastor of Frederick Charge if necessary.
- 5. That Providence and Montgomery Chapel of Kemptown Charge be made a separate charge to be called Kemptown Charge.
- 6. That Mt. Lebanon, Mountain View and Pleasant Grove from Kemptown Charge be made a charge to be called Mountain View Charge. We further recommend that this committee ask the conference to help this charge if necessary.
- 7. That Brandenburg, Harmony Grove and Zion Church be detached from Deer Park Charge and made a separate charge to be known as Brandenburg Charge with the further recommendation that the Conference be asked to help this charge if necessary.
- 8. That Providence Church on Finksburg Charge be detached from said charge and attached to Deer Park Charge.

The action of the quarterly conferences was as follows: Finksburg and Union Bridge approved recommendations. Deer Park and Liberty opposed the present recommendations, but were not unfavorable to an adjustment.

Lisbon, Kemptown and Frederick opposed the recommendations.

After receiving the reports of the quarterly conferences, and further consideration, your committee declares its adherance to its former recommendations in principle and as respecting ideals to be striven for—but at the same time ask the conference to give sympathetic consideration to the charges as expressed by their accredited delegates.

E. H. VANDYKE, Acting Chairman.

N. C. CLOUGH, Secretary.

Report Z

TO LOCATE METHODIST PROTESTANT PEOPLE

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 27)

In accordance with the action of the last Conference the committee appointed to locate Methodist Protestant people prepared a blank form, approved by the President, to be used by pastors when members of their churches move to another city or town, these blanks to be filled in with the names of such members and sent to the President. A number of blanks have been sent to each pastor to be used when necessary.

E. LESTER BALLARD.

C. R. STRAUSBURG.

Report AA ON CHRISTIAN DAILY NEWSPAPER

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 28)

We, the undersigned, your committee, appointed at the last session of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, to consider and report on the question of the need and feasibility of establishing a Christian Daily Paper in Baltimore, beg leave to report in the strongest emphasis that such a paper is certainly and sadly needed at this time, and that if the necessary financial support can be secured the problem would be readily and successfully solved.

Never in its history has the State of Maryland and its great metropolis, Baltimore, needed more than it does today, a Daily Newspaper which will stand for fundamental Christian ideas and Righteousness in public and private life; a paper safe for every member of a man's family, taking the position of upholding and supporting the great moral questions of the day.

From our knowledge of the gentlemen who control our Baltimore

dailies, we entertain a hope that a change in the policy of their papers may be secured by a united and persistent influence led by the many Christian Organizations of our City and State, or possibly through the auspices of the Baltimore Federation of Churches.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL BAKER, W. O. ATWOOD, SETH H. LINTHICUM.

Report BB

TO CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY OF FIRE INSURANCE CO.

Of the Committee

(See Journal, page 25)

The committee appointed at the 1920 session of this Conference to "Consider the Feasibility of Fire Insurance Company," beg leave to make the following report and recommendation.

The committee has held six meetings during the year just closed and investigated carefully, by conference with the State Fire Insurance Commissioner, the State Laws governing the organization and conduct of such a company and also sought by a questionnaire sent out to ascertain the sentiment of the charges, constituting the Maryland Conference, on this subject. We regret to record the seeming indifference of the charges on this question, there being but forty replies to one hundred and fifty-two questionnaires sent out, of these forty, fourteen were unfavorable or unsatisfactory, twenty-six favorable. The replies received involve one hundred and fourteen possible risks, eighty-four favorable, thirty unfavorable.

The State law requires for a mutual company, applications for insurance upon which it shall issue simultaneously or it shall have in force at least twenty policies to at least twenty members for the same kind of insurance, upon not less than two hundred separate risks, each within the maximum single risk described herein.

The maximum single risk shall not exceed twenty per cent of the admitted assets or three times the average risk or one per cent of the insurance in force, whichever is the greatest, any re-insurance taking effect simultaneously with the policy, being deducted, in determining such maximum single risk.

It shall have collected a premium upon each application required for organization, the total of which premiums shall be held in cash or in securities in which insurance companies are authorized to invest, and the total assets shall be equal to not less than twice the maximum single risk assumed, subject to one fire or to one loss, nor less than Ten Thousand Dollars, or it shall hold a surplus equal to the capital stock and surplus

required of a stock insurance company, effecting the same kinds of insurance.

The requirements for a stock company are:

Its capital stock shall not be less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars, and at least one-fifth of the whole capital stock shall be paid in before the company shall be competent to transact business.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN B. FENBY, Chairman,
LOUIS RANDALL, Secretary,
C. P. NOWLIN,
J. P. DODGE,
J. ALBERT BAKER,

Committee.

Report CC

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE

(See Journal, page 34)

Your Committee on Social Service begs leave to report that nothing has been submitted to it for consideration. Matters relating to this committee are considered by your Committee on Moral Reform.

EDGAR T. READ, Chairman,

P. W. CROSBY, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION No. 1

(Journal, page 22)

Printing Conference Sermon.

RESOLVED, That Rev. George M. Clayton is hereby requested to furnish his manuscript of the Conference Sermon so that the Secretary may print it in the Conference Minutes.

(Signed) EUGENE C. MAKOSKY, GEORGE HINES.

RESOLUTION No. 2

(Journal, page 23)

Congratulating Rev. J. W. Gray

WHEREAS, We have learned, with great pleasure, that one of the eight men received into the Itinerancy of the Maryland Annual Conference which met in this city in 1861 is still with us and

Appreciating his long and useful ministry among us, his fidelity to the principles of the Methodist Protestant Church, his faithful preaching of the truth as revealed in God's Holy Word

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Conference, by a rising vote, extend to Rev. J. W. Gray, the man whom we all delight to honor, its heartiest congratulations assuring him of our love and best wishes that he should be permitted to meet with us for many years to come and to bless and impress us with his sweet spirit and warm handshake.

(Signed) SETH H. LINTHICUM, B. W. KINDLEY, T. H. LEWIS.

RESOLUTION No. 3

(Journal, page 29)

Authority to Conference Treasurer

RESOLVED, That the Conference Treasurer be instructed to retain in the Superannuated Fund Account the balance of this year.

(Signed) C. P. NOWLIN,

J. M. SHERIDAN,

G. W. HADDAWAY.

RESOLUTION No. 4

(Journal, page 29)

Concurring in Overtures.

RESOLVED, That we concur in the following overtures from the General Conference:

I. Article VI-I—Adding to members of Quarterly Conferences— "Presidents of the Ladies' Aid Society; of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society; of the Women's Home Missionary Society; and of the Brother-hood."

II. Article VIII-I—Changing day of General Conference Session—so as to read "the third Wednesday in May."

RESOLUTION No. 5

(Journal, page 33)

Calling Attention to Manual Provisions

RESOLVED, That we declare our disapproval of too hasty discontinuing members from our Church registers, and call attention to the provisions for such action, as found in Article XIV, Section 3, of the Constitution. And that this resolution be published in the Methodist Protestant.

(Signed) EDGAR T. READ, THOS. O. CROUSE.

RESOLUTION No. 6

(Journal, page 33)

On Locating Members

RESOLVED, That the pastors of the Conference be urged to use every possible means of locating members of their churches, and also those who have been removed from the registers of the churches, who have moved away and refer them to the pastor nearest to their present places of residence.

RESOLVED, That this resolution be published in the Methodist Protestant.

(Signed) LEONARD B. SMITH, R. L. SHIPLEY.

RESOLUTION No. 7

(Journal, page 34)

Amending the Manual

RESOLVED, That the Rule VI, Section 6, of the Manual, the sentence "At 10 o'clock Thursday morning" shall be changed to read "At 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon."

(Signed) C. P. NOWLIN, J. A. DUDLEY,

RESOLUTION No. 8

(Journal, page 37)

Compensation of Steward

RESOLVED, That the compensation of the Conference Steward be increased from twenty-five to fifty dollars.

(Signed) GEO. E. BROWN, J. M. SHERIDAN, EDGAR T. READ.

RESOLUTION No. 9

(Journal, page 37)

On President Attending Ecumenical Conference

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of the Conference that the President of the Conference shall be relieved from the duties of his office for such length of time as may be required for his attendance upon the Ecumenical Conference.

(Signed) G. I. HUMPHREYS, E. C. MAKOSKY.

RESOLUTION No. 10

(Journal, page 37)

Relating to Church Home Charter

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Conference that if the Church Home at Westminster is to be financed by the Conference, then steps should be taken to place its management under the direction of this Conference.

And we therefore request the Board of Managers of the Church Home immediately to take steps for so amending their Charter as to provide for the election of its Board by this Conference.

(Signed) G. I. HUMPHREYS, E. A. SEXSMITH.

RESOLUTION No. 11

(Journal, page 37)

Publishing Assessments in Methodist Protestant

RESOLVED, That we request the Board of Finance to publish in the Methodist Protestant the list of charges, giving the amounts of General Conference assessments, Maryland Conference assessments and President's salary as soon as completed.

(Signed) EDGAR T. READ, G. J. HOOKER, EUGENE C. MAKOSKY.

Conference Societies

Superannuated Fund Society

April 9th, 1921.

Meeting was opened on Saturday morning with Second Vice-President F. T. Benson, in the chair. On motion of J. W. Trout, minutes of Society were adopted. Treasurer's report was read and on motion of L. F. Warner was adopted. F. T. Little called attention to the splendid services of T. A. Murray, Esq.

F. T. Little, T. O. Crouse and B. F. Ruley expressed high appreciation of the thoughtful, unselfish services of A. W. Mather. To which Brother Mather responded with much feeling.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the present officer and Board of Managers with the exception of the office of Secretary for which G. J. Hooker was instructed to cast the ballot.

Officers

First Vice-President, J. L. Mills.
Second Vice-President, F. T. Benson.
Third Vice-President, C. M. Compher.
Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather.
Recording Secretary, C. C. Day.
Treasurer, T. A. Murray.

Board of Managers

Ministers-W. H. Litsinger, G. W. Haddaway, J. M. Sheridan, W. B. Judefind.

Laymen-T. A. Murray, Daniel MacLea, Dr. E. B. Fenby, J. B. Mills.

Treasurer's Report for Year April, 1920-1921

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with Superannuated Fund Society.

PERMANENT FUND

To Balance as per last Report\$	872.84
To amt. in redemption of Ground Rent\$1,083.34	
To amt. acct. Principal of Mortgages 550.00	
To amt. from sale \$2,000 Merchants Coal Co 2,049.50	
To Legacy from Joshua N. Warfield \$ 500.00	
To Legacy from Mrs. Lee 200.00	
To Annual Dues from Conf. Treasurer 115.00	
To Subscription to Campaign of 1910 30.00	
845.50	
• 4	,528.34

\$5,401.18

By amt. invested in \$4,300 U.S. Liberty	Bonds\$3,722.97
By Balance on Deposit	
	\$5,401.18

INCOME ACCOUNT

To amt. of Income from Investments\$	7,235.14
To Interest on Deposits	54.88
_	\$7,290.02
By premium paid on Treasurer's Bond\$	12.50
By Rent Safe Deposit Box	5.00
By 1921 Taxes on Securities	54.18
By Expenses of Collections, etc	250.00
By Amts. Remitted to Conference Treasurer:	
July 27th, 1920\$1,700.00	
Oct. 20th, 1920 2,100.00	
Jan. 27th, 1921 1,500.00	
Check herewith 1,668.34	
	6,968.34
_	7,290.02

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct as per above report, and all Income from Investments fully accounted for; also that we have examined the Securities of the Society and find them properly deposited in the Safe Deposit Box of the Society.

W. B. JUDEFIND, J. BIBB MILLS, Auditing Committee.

SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in its judgment, properly belong to the superannuated list.

2. From the receipts from the invested fund, each superannuated minister be entitled to \$10 for each year of his active service as a member of this Conference, and each widow of a minister of this Conference who is granted a superannuate relation, be entitled to \$5.00 for each year of her active service.

3. The amount received from the collections in the District during the year to be applied to the necessities of the claimants, considering:
1. The time of service in the Conference; 2. The size of family; 3. Peculiarities of condition; 4. Ability to contribute to self support by business capacity or by private income.

4. That when the Committee on Superannuates has information from

claimants to the effect that they do not need the amount required by virtue of their years of service, that the Committee be governed by the information thus given. (For items 2, 3, 4, see report H, Superannuates, 1914 Minutes).

- 5. The Conference Treasurer shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, and shall make a quarterly distribution of the funds provided the Treasurer of said Society can make a payment in the interim of Conference.
- 6. When the Committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the Conference twenty-four hours before action thereon, during which time objections to the report must be filed before the committee.
- 7. The Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall furnish Superannuated Claimants with blanks containing the following questions, a neglect to answer which shall deprive the claimants of any portion in the distribution of the emergency fund for the year.
 - 1. What is your present place of residence? Post office address?
 - 2. Do you desire a superannuate relation the ensuing year?
- 3. What is the number of your family? Age of your children, respectively?
 - 4. Do you attend our church? If not, why not?
 - 5. Do your children attend Sabbath school? If not, why not?
 - 6. What is the amount of your private income?

Church Extension Society

The Church Extension Society convened on Friday afternoon with First Vice-President E. C. Makosky presiding.

The report of the President of the Board of Managers was read and referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

The report of the Treasurer was read and was referred to the Conference Auditing Committee.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the election of the following officers:

President, E. C. Makosky.

First Vice-President, J. F. Wooden.

Second Vice-President, G. Edwin Brown.

Secretary, C. R. Strausburg.

Board of Managers

Ministers—G. W. Haddaway, W. H. Litsinger, S. F. Cassen, G. E. Brown. Laymen—W. C. Scott, T. A. Myers, E. B. Fenby, J. H. Roberts. Adjourned.

C. R. STRAUSBURG.

Report of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society

It is gratifying to report that the past year in church extension activities has been one of progress. The Board has held many meetings to take care of the steadily growing work as developed under the watchful care and devotion of our Superintendent. We are impressed anew with the importance of the new departure in the method of advancing these interests.

The churches under our care, as a rule, have made splendid progress. Trinity, the first church established under this administration, has had a most successful year. The membership is now about one hundred. Brother White has a Men's Bible Class with over one hundred on roll, and there have been more than one hundred and fifty present. The financial report for the year is most encouraging. There was no mistake made in the location of this church. It has a bright future.

Arundel Cove, which was started last conference year, was completed and dedicated last May. The entire amount of indebtedness was subscribed and has since been paid. The church membership and Sunday school have greatly increased. Pastor's salary, which two years ago was \$200, has been advanced to \$700 for next year with \$100 additional for house rent. The success of this work has inspired Marley Church on the same charge to new life. A parsonage is talked of and will soon be a reality. Brother Mullikin has been very successful and is highly esteemed.

A year ago we reported the donation of a lot for church purposes at Graceland Park. During the year the White Marsh Church in Anne Arundel County, which has been closed for twenty years, was moved to this location at a cost for removal and erection of \$2,000. There is an indebtedness of \$600 which we expect to be paid during the coming year. The church will then be dedicated. There have been 22 members received into the church, and about 100 in the Sunday school. Brother Miller, a local preacher, has been holding services on Sunday evening, and Miss DeMoss, the deaconess, has had charge of the Sunday school. They will pledge \$300 on pastoral support, and are applying for recognition by the Conference. We recommend that this church be recognized by the Conference and that it be attached to Chesaco Park.

The two churches on Chesaco Park Charge have had a prosperous year. The Chesaco Park Church has ben improved by the addition of a basement. There was spent \$800 in cash, while the work given was estimated at an equal sum. They have also paid the \$500 mortgage. The property, which was held by the Baltimore City Society, has been deeded to the local church. They will still further advance the pastor's salary at both churches, and are anxious for the return of Brother Kester. They appreciate his labors among them.

Texas, under the pastorate of Brother Simms, has had a satisfactory year. The Sunday school and C. E. Society have shown some progress. There are large real estate developments in the vicinity of this church, and the people are hopeful for its future growth.

Wilmington. While the Peninsula Church Extension Society was given supervision of this new work, this Board has kept in close touch with it and rendered what assistance it could. The Superintendent has devoted

much of his time to it, and assisted Brother Smith in every way possible. The Peninsula Society will doubtless give a detailed report of what has been accomplished. We wish however to state that in our opinion no more important Church Extension work than this has been undertaken by the Conference for years. The progress made in one year shows not only the wisdom of the movement but the possibilities of this church if it can have the necessary help from the Conference district. Brother Smith reports 115 members and 175 Sunday school scholars, with a constant increase in both. They have paid \$1,200 on pastoral support this year, and will assume the entire salary of \$2,400 for next year. There has been raised \$4,500 for all purposes. They are worshipping in a hall but cannot remain there indefinitely. We give this work our unqualified endorsement, and recommend that action be taken during this Conference session to enlist all our churches and people in an effort to raise a large sum of money toward the new building. They must have a church and it must compare favorably with other prosperous churches of Wilmington. The congregation has proved its willingness to do its part, and it is believed the citizens of the city will assist. We all have confidence in Brother Smith's ability to carry forward such an enterprise and to build up a strong church. We trust that this Conference will rally to its support with great enthusiasm, and in view of the extraordinary opportunity presented, we recommend that the Conference ask further aid from the Board of Home Missions.

Broadway. As the year advanced it was found that few of the Broadway members could be taken to the new location at Lauraville, and at a meeting of the church action was taken asking that the relations between the churches be severed. This was agreed to by Lauraville, and request is made of this Conference to reconsider its former action relative to said union. Broadway has since opened negotiations with Bethany church, and plans are under way looking to the erection of a new church for these two congregations. We recommend that favorable action be taken by this Conference on this union.

We are gratified to report that Lauraville Church has purchased a splendid lot on the Harford Road for \$5,700, and has paid \$2,000 on this purchase. The Superintendent has assisted them in raising the first payment, and the Board has extended them financial aid.

Colmar. The building operations in this community were not such as to encourage us in proceeding to the erection of a church. We, therefore, sold the lot we had purchased at a cost of \$749, receiving \$900 for the same.

There is an opening at Arlington Court House, near Cherrydale. The Superintendent and Brother Snyder have made a partial survey of the field and may proceed further with it early in the new Conference year.

At the last session of this Conference the Payson Street building enterprise was referred to this Board with authority to endorse an appropriation not to exceed \$1,000. After investigation of the plans of said church the Board approved and directed C. P. Nowlin to pay the first annual installment to this church.

The request for aid for Skinner's Neck on Wesley Chapel Charge was also referred to this Board. Investigation of the enterprise was made by the President of the Confreence and Dr. Sheridan, and upon their

recommendation favorable action was taken. The building has not yet been started and we presume the application for aid will be renewed.

Selbyville. A year ago we reported having collected \$490.50 toward the long standing debt on this church. In July, 1920, the Superintendent paid \$500 on the note, and Messrs. Campbell and Holloway paid a like amount. Since then there has been paid to E. G. Cover, treasurer of the Peninsula Society, \$350.02 additional. There is an unpaid subscription of \$109.70.

There is an opening for a new Methodist Protestant Church in the western suburbs of Baltimore, which is considered by all who have investigated it as most promising. A committee has it in hand, and we expect definite steps to be taken at once to occupy this field.

Mr. Robert R. Butler, late of Trappe, Talbott Co., Md., and a loyal Methodist Protestant, in his will made the Extension Society of the Maryland Conference the residuary legatee. Mr. Butler held a mortgage on a farm which is not yet due. This fact has prevented the closing of the estate. The Society should receive \$5,000 by this legacy. We are giving close attention to it and will do all possible to protect the interests of the Society and to close the estate.

The Treasurer's report will give the financial statement for the year. This does not represent all the money that has been raised through Church Extension activities. The Peninsula and Baltimore City Societies have excellent reports. The Superintendent, Dr. Sheridan, has been closely identified with the work of these societies and has given much of his time in advancing these interests. He has also attended dedications and other special services when large sums of money have been secured for the local intrests.

During the last three years in the establishment and development of the churches named in this report about three hundred members and five hundred Sunday school scholars have been added to the Conference roll, and \$30,000 to the value of church property.

Dr. Sheridan has been alert, devoted and effective in his unceasing endeavor to advance the work committed to his care. We most earnestly recommend his reappointment for another year.

EDWIN B. FENBY Chairman.

Treasurer's Annual Report, Year Ending April 4th, 1921

RECEIPTS

Cash Balance last report	\$1,907.84
Received from Superintendent Graceland Park Fund	
Received from Superintendent Arundell Cove Fund	751.32
Received from Superintendent Sundry Subscriptions	115.00
Received from Superintendent Falls Road Fund	35.00
Trustees Falls Road Church, return part of loan	350.00
From Conference Treasurer:	
Wilmington, Delaware, Fund	1,000.00
Account Salary Wilmington Pastor	375.00

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Account Salary Falls Road Pastor, Conf. year 1920	300.00
Account Superintendent Salary	
Account Salary Chesaco Park Pastor	200.00
Board of Home Missions, account purchase Wilmington, Del.,	200.00
Church Lot	5,000.00
Loan from James H. Roberts (temporary)	6,500.00
Loan from Accomac Banking Co., Wilmington parsonage	
Loan from W. I. Simpson, account Wilmington Church Lt	6,500.00
Arundel Cove Church, Fire Insurance premium	28.00
Proceeds Sale Colmar Church Lot	906.26
Proceeds Sale Four Victory Bonds for purchase of Broadway	
Church Lot	3,972.92
Broadway Fund, accrued interest on Investment	617.50
Interest on Bank Balance	16.44
Proceeds \$500.00 Loan, Baker, Watts & Co., account Lauraville	
Church Lot	489.57
Total Receipts	241 007 75
Total Necerpts	\$41.907.75
PAYMENTS	
Sundry payments for completion Graceland Park Church	\$1,983.83
Sundry payments for completion Arundel Cove Church	689.66
Wilmington, Delaware, Parsonage	10,300.00
Wilmington, Delaware, Church Lot	12,500.00
Temporary Loan James H. Roberts	
Interest	67.16
Broadway Fund, Church Lot purchased	4,040.58
Kent County Savings Bank, note reduced	500.00
Kent County Savings Bank, interest on indebtedness	72.48
Colmar Fund, note payable to Miss Ella Martin \$747.00	
Interest	014 55
Lauravilla Church nart nayment new Church I ct	814.55
Lauraville Church, part payment new Church Lot	500.00
Salary, Chesaco Park, Rev. H. A. Kester	1,500.00
Salary, Rev. R. W. White (Conf. year 1920)	$250.00 \\ 300.00$
Salary, Wilmington, Del., Rev. L. B. Smith	375.00
Fire Insurance Arundel Cove Church	28.00
	20.00

Lauraville Church, part payment new Church	1 Lot 500.00
Salary, Superintendent, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	
Salary, Chesaco Park, Rev. H. A. Kester	
Salary, Rev. R. W. White (Conf. year 1920)	300.00
Salary, Wilmington, Del., Rev. L. B. Smith	375.00
Fire Insurance Arundel Cove Church	
Sundry Expenses Superintendent	
Sundry Expenses Rev. C. M. Compher	
Sundry Expenses, Rev. G. E. Brown	
Premium paid on bond of Treasurer	
Safe Deposit Vault Equitable Trust Company.	6.00
Stationery for Secretary	3.25
Attorneys fee Broadway Fund	100.00
Attorneys fee (various) donated and include	
scriptions	40.00
Total payments	\$40,770.11

Cash balance in Bank 1,137.64

\$41,907.75

Held by Treasurer:

Broadway Fund, \$11,000 Victory 4% per cent Bonds. Broadway Bethany Fund, 17—\$5.00 War Savings Stamps. 1-\$50.00 Liberty Bond.

W. C. SCOTT Treasurer.

CHURCH EXTENSION REGULATIONS

1. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collection in the hands of the Conference Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the Conference year.

2. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the

ensuing year.

- 3. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long as the mission relation is continued. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members" at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension Society shall surrender the church property, together with the books,
- papers or other valuables held by them as Trustees.
- 4. When any number of the members of any of our missions shall, through disaffection or from other causes, form themselves into classes, withholding themselves from the means of grace or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to the Discipline for trial of members. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may think proper, and should the accused be found guilty he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committe may direct. And should the entire mission become refractory the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; provided, however, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the next session ensuing, whose decision shall be final.
 - 5. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.
- 6. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline for the trial of members.

- 7. Any mission having a missionary shall be entitled to one delegate to the Annual Conference, provided the missionary have a seat, who shall be elected by the qualified members of the mission, at least two weeks preceding the session of the Annual Conference.
- 8. No member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall hold membership in a mission and station at the same time.
- 9. Until a class is formed in a mission the missionary shall have authority to receive probationers into full membership.
- 10. The missionary in charge is invested with authority to receive or reject applicants for membership, as he in his judgment may deem conductive to the welfare of the mission.
- 11. When a mission becomes a circuit or station, the property must be so transferred to the trustees elected by the qualified members as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church.
- 12. The Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conference.
- 13. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.
- 14. The Society shall pay the traveling expenses of such members of the Board of Managers as do not reside in the city.
- 15. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Church Extension Society in the interim of Conference.
- 16. Hereafter, no money shall be appropriated to any charge where the Board of Trustees refuses to be incorporated.
- 17. The Church Extension Committee of the Conference is hereby made a permanent or continuous committee, its members serving until their successors are appointed. The President of the Conference is hereby requested in naming the members of this committee from time to time, to retain a sufficient number of those familiar with its work to secure best results in the appropriation of the funds of the society.

In addition to the duties heretofore performed by the committee, it shall be the duty of the chairman and secretary thereof, as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual session of the Conference, to prepare and have printed lists of questions with blank spaces for answers, similar to those heretofore used by the Board of Managers, and shall mail a copy to the pastor of each charge seeking aid not later than the first week in October and March of each Conference year. The blanks may also contain such explanations as may be deemed necessary to enable charges to properly fill in the answers to the questions, with the request that the said blanks be promptly filled out and returned.

The chairman and secretary shall arrange these blanks in proper order, bring them to Conference and lay them before the Committee. The committee, in making appropriations to the respective charges seeking aid, shall be guided by the information contained in the blanks; and the charges are hereby notified in accordance with the above prescribed duties of the committee.

The Secretary of the Conference hereby is instructed to pay, out of the Conference funds, the expense of printing, postage, etc., incurred by the committee in the discharge of the duties here referred to. When appropriations are made conditionally and the conditions are not complied with, it shall be the duty of the committee to so notify the Conference Treasurer, who shall withhold payment of the money until such payment is authorized by the committee.

The action of the Committee of 1907 is hereby reaffirmed as follows, "The Committee on Church Extension shall not report upon any case referred to it by the Conference, except such cases recommended by the President to accommodate the plan of appointments."

The Mutual Relief Association

The Mutual Relief Association convened April 11th, 1921, J. H. Straughn presiding.

The Secretary-Treasurer read his report, which was referred to the Committee on Audit. This committee reported as follows:

We, the Committee on Audit, having examined the bank books and receipts, have found them correct.

W. A. MELVIN,
W. F. BAUSCHER,
Committee on Audit.

178.00

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It was ordered that the Conference Secretary be requested to publish our minutes and roll of members in the Conference Official Minutes.

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The Memorial Roll

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day."—2 Tim. iv:7, 8.

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Name	Born	Conference	Died
Charles Rigby	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays		1830	1831
William Bamber		1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson		1829	1834
William Kesley		1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger		1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh		1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D.		1833	1844
William W. Maddux		1838	1844
William W. Ball		1842	1844
William H. Boardley		1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright	1823	1849	1859
Nevelle Steele Greenaway	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox		1869	1870
Christian Eversole	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice	1814	1838	1874
John Robers	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards	1787	1870	1876
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D.	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb	1792	1869	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert	1851	1873	1881

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Name	Born	Conference	Died
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	1808	1865	1881
Thomas Lee	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Wilson	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell	1832	1859	1884
JJames Martin Elderdice	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon	1845 1825	1866 1847	1885 1885
Joseph Olexander McFaden	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D.	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith	1850	1874	1889 1890
Augustus Webster, D. D.	1808 1840	$\begin{array}{c} 1832 \\ 1864 \end{array}$	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson	1819	1853	1890
James Thompson	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D.,	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton	1832	18,60	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson	1863 1815	1887 1838	1896 1886
John Robert Nichols	1820	1843	1897
James Thomas Ward, D. D. Rhesa Scott Norris	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D.	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith	1844	$\begin{array}{c} 1876 \\ 1846 \end{array}$	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day	$\begin{array}{c} 1820 \\ 1822 \end{array}$		1900
William Greenbury Holmes	1819	1840	1901
Laurence Webster Bates, D. D	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve	1824	1847	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D.	1834	1859	1902
Renamin Franklin Benson, D. D.	1835	1856	1902
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.	1830	1850	1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D	1872	1899	1903
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D	1846	1872	$1904 \\ 1904$
Abraham Downs Dick	$1826 \\ 1829$	$\begin{array}{c} 1854 \\ 1852 \end{array}$	1904
Charles Humphreys Littleton	1824	1842	1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D William Sim Hammond, D. D	1832	1851	1905
George Durbin Edmonston	1844	1864	1905
William Augustus Crouse	1824	1870	1905
David Wilson, M. D.	1826	1845	1906
William John Neepier	1848	1871	1906
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D	1817	1841	$\begin{array}{c} 1907 \\ 1907 \end{array}$
Jacob Mathias Yingling	1847	1873	1901

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Name	Born	Conference	Died
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D.	1865 1828	1889 1853	1908 1908
James Inomas Lassell, D. D.	1836	1866	1909
John Bayley Jones Benjamin Parker Truitt	1833	1860	1909
Solomon Aghbarra Habita 11	1861	1887	1910
Solomon Ashbury Hoblitzell	1836	1859	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D.	1841	1863	1911
William Sherman Phillips	1868	1889	1912
Herbert F. Wright	1866	1896	1912
Charles Gentle Rowe	1832	1865	1912
Charles Smith Arnett	1852	1875	1913
Samuel Joseph Smith, D. D.	1854	1877	1913
James Ernest Litsinger	1879	1904	1913
Jacob Ezra Nichloson	1844	1881	1913
William James Dillon Lucas	1849	1873	1914
James Earle Maloy	1834	1859	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson	1879	1911	1914
George Roberts McCready	1850	1880	1915
John Carter Poston	1833	1913	1916
Fitzhugh Lee Stevens	1866	1895	1916
Robert Thomas Tyson	1867	1908	1916
Thomas H. Wright	1840	1895	1916
Shas Baldwin Tredway, D. D.	1846	1872	1917
David Lee Greenfield, D. D	1948	1868	1917
John Lee Straughn	1848	1870	1917
George Robert Hodge	1862	1889	1917
Edwin Oliver Ewing	1851	1884	1917
Joseph Augustus Weigand	1847	1874	1918
Charles William Cole	1887	1916	1918
John Solon Bowers, D. D.	1861	1881	1919
Robert Kendall Lewis	1856	1891	1919
Aquilla Augustus Harriman	1845	1871	1920
Walter Raleigh Graham, D. D.	1852	1873	1920
Jesse W. Norris	1856	1884	1921
Edward L. Beauchamp	1885	1909	1921

Obituaries

Jesse W. Norris

Rev. Jesse W. Norris, son of the late Rev. R. Scott Norris, was born at Woodensburg, Md., October 30, 1856, and passed into the heavenly world on the morning of January 17th, 1921, being slightly more than 64

years of age.

He joined the Maryland Conference in 1884, after having graduated from Western Maryland College and taken one year at the Theological Seminary. Converted early in life, he brought into the ministry, not only a well trained mind, but a conscious experience of saving Grace. Added to this was the godly example and pious training of his father and mother. This well equipped, strong and promising young man joined Conference and commenced his work on Howard Circuit. He served during the thirty years of his actvie ministry, in the order named-Howard, Kennedyville, Accomac, Pocomoke, Clayton, Rowlandsville, Potomac, Caroline, Eutaw, Bethany, Wye and Marley. During his pastorate at Marley his health broke down and he was superannuated in 1914. He preached, however, for several years at Texas, Arundel Cove and filled the pulpits of his brethren in the city, when occasion required, until his health would not permit. In 1889 he married Miss Blanche Pillsbury, of Baltimore, whom he met at Western Maryland, for she, too, is a graduate of the College. One child, a daughter, was born to them. She lived only eight years to bless and cheer her parents, when God took her. This was a crushing blow to the But this dear sainted child was a great comfort to Brother parents. Norris in his last illness. He said one day, "I believe Frances is helping Jesus get my mansion ready." Doubtless there was a happy reunion on the morning of January 17th, when this suffering child of God was released.

Brother Norris was a man of stainless character, consecrated to God, loyal to his church and always applied himself industriously to the building up of the charges and did fine constructive work. He had a passion for souls and a genius for church extensions, having started several new church enterprises and built a number of new churches. The last work of this kind that he did was at Arundel Cove, when he preached in a school house every Sunday for a year or two after his superannuation. Here he conducted evangelistic services and among the converts were some soldiers from a station nearby. It was the chief joy of his last days in the ministry that God was using him in the extension of the church and the salvation of souls. Brother Norris was a theologian of the old school. The "modernist" theories had no place in his preaching. He believed that the Bible not only "contains the Word of God" but that it is the Word of God. He believed everything in the Book as fully and truly as he did when he first learned it in the atmosphere of the Christian home in which he was reared. In a message from his sick room to the Brooklyn Church, during a revival he said, "In my lonely hours, alone with God, I have held sweet communion with Him and have realized as never before the preciousness of His divine love and the joys of religion." Again he said, "The great doctrine which adorns, outshines and like a rainbow arches above all other doctrines, is the Atonement." "The center and circumference of religion is Jesus Crucified."

It was the privilege of two of the committee to visit Brother Norris often during his long illness. He wanted to get well to preach again, but when convinced that God's will was otherwise, he reverently bowed to that will and wanted to go. Everything was done that medical skill and love could devise. We noticed with increasing admiration the constant and devoted ministry of his faithful wife; how she, month after month and year after year, gave herself to him. She is lonely now and it is our wish and prayer that God will deal gently with her until the blessed day of reunion. Brother Norris leaves to mourn his departure, besides his widow, three brothers and one sister. The funeral was held at his home in Brooklyn, conducted by Rev. J. H. Straughn, D. D., president of the Maryland Conference, assisted by several other ministers. Interment was in Loudon Park Cemetery, Baltimore. Brother H. T. Mason, a lay member of the committee, has this to say: "When Brother Norris was pastor of Accomac Charge it was my privilege to enjoy daily his association, both as pastor and friend. When attempting to express how beautiful and noble were his Christian qualities, I find words are inadequate and simply say Brother Norris was a fine Christian follower of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Thus our brother lived his life, "Fought the good fight" and passed into the heavenlies to be forever with the Lord. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

S. W. COE,	H. J. MASON,
J. W. GRAY,	GEO. PHELPS,
J. M. GILL,	HARRY THOMAS.

Edward L. Beauchamp

Edward Lassell Beauchamp laid aside the "old rugged cross for a crown" on February 7, 1921. Thick shadows of great grief fell upon the whole church, and while many people asked themselves the question "why?" no one could be found to venture a reason for the untimely passing of this splendid man of God. From sheer exhaustion, while engaged in evangelistic services in his church, he was compelled to give up his work temporarily and submit to an operation for an old trouble which had given him great uneasiness. Little did he realize, at the time, his life's work was ended, but he did not go empty handed to meet his Lord. His last work in the kingdom was to conduct a definite active campaign in his own church to lead lost men and women to the Saviour. Why was he taken in the full bloom of life when he was so useful? We do not know, nor can we understand, but we are satisfied "Someday He will will make it plain."

When quite young his father died, and his mother with her young children moved to the home of her parents. He inherited a strong love for the Methodist Protestant Church. His grandfather, Edward Gilligan, was one of the most loyal laymen of our church, he being one of the

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charter members of the old Washington Street Church, which is now Alnutt Memorial. The place of this noble family in our church is well known. It has been noted for its deep consecration and intense loyalty to Christ and the Methodist Protestant church. It is no surprise that God should call one of this household to preach the gospel.

In the summer of 1914 he was admitted to McDonogh School for Boys. He entered this school a poor, frail boy, but developed into a fine, robust athletic youth, with good scholarship and well liked by everybody in the school. He graduated from this school in 1901. The impressions made upon his life at this school were lasting, and his interest in the school and the McDonogh boys increased with the years. One of his great joys as expressed so often by him, was the privilege of speaking to the McDonogh boys at their Sunday afternoon chapel service and of urging the Christian life upon them.

In his home church, Alnutt Memorial, he was very popular with all the people, especially the young. As a boy, his life was clean and his character beyond reproach. He was tender, loving and kind to everybody. He had the knack of making friends and the ability to hold them. He was always considerate of others and charitable towards them. So far as is known, he has never given expression to an impure thought, nor utterance to an unkind word about anybody. He always had the good word ready to be spoken. If he could not help, he would not harm.

During a wonderful revival at Alnutt Memorial some years ago he made a full surrender of his young life to Christ for definite work in His kingdom. Immediate plans were made for his preparation for the ministry. In 1906 he entered Westminster Theological Seminary, graduated in 1909, and entered upon his duties as a minister of the gospel of the Christ he loved so well.

As a minister of the gospel, the record of his work is the best evidence of his success. He never lost his interest in the young people, and where ever he labored, they were among his strongest supporters. Little children would stop their play and run to him when he was around, and they were happier with him than to continue their play. Often they were heard to say they "would like to be good like Mr. Beauchamp." He won a place in the hearts of the people because he was a true minister of the Word. He preached Christ. He lived Christ. The living Christ was in his sermons, his songs, his smile, conversations, his entry into the homes of all kinds and classes of people, irrespective of denomination. He was never happier than when witnessing for Christ. But his Christ was a bright and happy Christ. His heart was big with love and full of compassion for everybody, and consequently he grieved more than the average man over the sins of humanity.

Men like E. L. Beauchamp do not die. They cannot die. They live on. He will live forever. His life was "Hid with Christ in God," and though lost for a time to loved ones and friends, he is "hid with Christ." Some day we shall see him, and then we will understand.

A devoted young wife and three fine boys survive him. He has left them the rich legacy of a good, clean, Christlike life. They knew him best, and they loved him most. No matter how much the church will miss him, they will miss him more. We commend them to the Father's comfort and care, knowing when His "Everlasting arms" are about them, their refuge is secure.

Rev. H. L. Elderdice, D. D., writes as follows: "I met Edward Lassell Beauchamp for the first time September, 1906, when he matriculated in the Westminster Theological Seminary. During the three years of his student life I must have met him more than a thousand times in Lecture Hall, Chapel, Library, Office and his private room. To me it was a delight to watch the gradual unfolding of his intellectual faculties to unseen realities. Ever since his graduation in 1909 I have followed his public career with a teacher's pride in a student who makes good. I am in no mood to attempt a critical and well balanced estimate of his worth. We may admire the beauty and enjoy the fragrance of a flower without a thought of botanical types; so they who knew best and loved most this man of God are not disposed to analyze his mental powers nor classify his qualities of heart and will. Yet even a casual observer discovered that he was a rare flower in the garden of humanity.

In temper he was even—I cannot remember that I ever found it vexed; in manner he was mild—I can recall neither a harsh word or rude act; in spirit he was meek and gentle; in disposition he was amiable and lovable; among his fellows he was popular; and in his Christian character and conduct he was loyal to the loftiest ideals. Though his sun went down at noon, yet it shines in all the glory of immortal influence. Even unborn generations will arise to call his memory blessed."

Rev. J. M. Sheridan, D. D., sends the following tribute: "My acquaintance with Brother Beauchamp began when, as a seminary student, he was appointed to take charge of Harper's Ferry Church during vacation. He impressed me then as a sincere and pious young man who gave promise of great usefulness in the Christian ministry. With his splendid personality he possessed other gifts and graces which enabled him to easily win his way into the hearts of those with whom he associated. He made rapid progress as a successful minister and pastor and was doing a great work for the Master and the church when called from labor to reward.

With all his other noble qualities of mind and heart the dominant one was his deep spirituality."

Brother James E. Chamberlain, of Mt. Tabor Church, responds with this tribute: "Our dear Brother Beauchamp has been translated. Truly a good, great man, a true follower and disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ has passed to his reward. Words are too cold to express the admiration and love one holds for a man such as the one whose memory we are trying to pay tribute to.

He was one of those men that you could get very close to, confide in him, depend upon him, in other words he was a man of God who truly exemplified the love of his Master. He was one, I believe, that we can say as Paul has said, "He became all things to all men that he might win some." He was humble, yet strong; he was patient, long-suffering, and could always see the bright side of all things.

His memory and life still lives in the lives of the members of Mt. Tabor Church and while he has passed over he is a living epistle to all that

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knew him. May the God of all Grace be very near and dear to the loved ones he has left behind."

N. J. Parks, of Parksley, Va., says: "I first knew Brother Beauchamp when he came to Parksley and was our pastor for two years. His sterling qualities and fine personality soon won him a host of friends whose hearts were saddened by his death and who will ever cherish the memory of the one we loved. His work here was successful. He was a leader and we could afford to follow his leadership, because "he walked with god."

Though called from his labors in the noon hour of life, having lived only about one half of the allotted time of three score years and ten, he did not return to his Master empty handed. Using the words of Paul it can be said of him, 'He has fought a good fight. He has kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give him at that day.'"

A. J. Williar, of Christ Church, sends the following tribute: "Edward L. Beauchamp was a man of lovable character and manners, having conviction of his own and standing by them to the limit, not in a dogmatic manner, but rather with a Christlike tolerance for another opinion. Full of zeal for 'winning one' for his Master, not forcing them into the kingdom through fear of punishment but holding out as an incentive for a better life the love of a Heavenly Father and the joys and happiness to be obtained through fellowship and service. His own life in home, church and street was full of sunshine and the bright attractive smile that was so constantly flashing out was indicative of a heart overflowing with love for God and man alike. He will be missed greatly, not only in his home, but in the homes of his legion of friends."

W. P. ROBERTS, JAMES E. CHAMBERLAIN,

H. L. ELDERDICE, D. D., N. J. PARKS,

J. M. SHERIDAN, D. D., A. J. WILLIAR.

Mrs. Lavinia Greenwood Rowe

Mrs. Lavinia Greenwood Rowe, widow of the late Rev. R. S. Rowe, died at her home in Baltimore February 10, 1921, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Rowe was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Greenwood, born to them November 27, 1837, in Chestertown, Md., where her girlhood was spent. The family moved to Baltimore and here, at sixteen years of age, her marriage took place December 6, 1853. Mr. Rowe took his young bride at once to Fredericksburg, Va., where he had a home completely furnished for her and where he was engaged in a prosperous business. This home and business life continued until the bombardment of Fredericksburg, during which their house was wrecked and their third son died, and they were compelled to seek refuge in Stafford County, Va. Subsequently they moved to Baltimore.

Since before their marriage Mr. Rowe had felt impressed that the ministry should be his life work, and now the call became imperative. His wife, shrinking from grave responsibilities, had previously withheld her

endorsement, but now she consented and immediately gave him wholehearted co-operation. She not only encouraged him in the home and social phases of his work, but assisted in the church and Sunday school actively. She also took great interest in the conference and seemed to feel proud that she never failed to attend the yearly sessions. She held this record until nearly the last year of her husband's active ministry, when a serious attack of illness kept both of them at home. She did not allow her home cares to interfere with her attendance at service. Maids in ministers' families were an unknown luxury but her meals, in which she took great pride, were always planned so that they would not keep her from regular attendance at church. Her daughter says, "As far back as I can remember I was not only taken regularly to church, but also to every conference." Her co-operations in church work was most memorable in the campaign for building the Alnutt Memorial Church. In all the negotiations and conferences with Mr. and Miss Alnutt she took an active part. It was very fitting that she should be buried from that church, where the beautiful window is a memorial to both husband and wife.

After her husband's death in 1913, Mrs. Rowe lived a very retired life, feeling greatly her loneliness without his presence and comforting support. The infirmities of age kept her from finding solace in other channels and from visiting among friends and relatives, and although her daughter and family begged her many times to come and live with them she would never consent to leave Baltimore, where she had spent so many years, where she had so many friends she prized and where her husband had died. Her sole companion in her widowhood was her granddaughter, Miss Lily Rowe, whom she had mothered from infancy. Beside other grandchildren and her daughter, Mrs. Fannie R. Shelley, of Ridgewood, N. J., she is survived by a son, Mr. George G. Rowe, of Washington, D. C.

Funeral services held in Alnutt Memorial Church were conducted by Rev. Louis Randall, the pastor. Rev. J. H. Straughn, president of the Maryland Conference, and Rev. W. H. Litsinger made addresses and Rev. G. W. Haddaway, D. D., offered prayer. The pallbearers were: Rev. J. M. Sheridan, D. D., Rev. G. W. Haddaway, D. D., Rev. L. F. Warner, D. D., Rev. S. W. Coe, Rev. W. B. Judefind and Rev. G. R. Ogg. Her remains were laid to rest in Loudon Park Cemetery.

Conference Sermon

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Subject: The Cohesive Church

Text: "The head over all thing, to the church, which is his body."

Eph. 1:22, 23

The youthful tent-maker of the "Metropolis of the East," Saul of Tarsus, though not physically robust, was endowed with a brilliant mind and a great heart. He was destined to take second place only to the carpenter's Son of Nazareth. He was educated at the University of Jerusalem under the world renowned Doctor Gamaliel. We first meet him on the occasion of the martyrdom of Stephen, where we find him silently consenting to that horrible tragedy. After this he assumed an attitude of uncompromising hostility to the new faith and its brave adherents. But there came a memorable day, a notable ride, a supreme experience in the life of the Hebrew zealot. On the Jerusalem-Damascus highway, Saul was unhorsed and plunged into a midnight of physical blindness, overwhelmed with a sense of his sin.

Simultaneously with his sudden conversion came his change of attitude toward his life work. With a complete abandon he offered himself as a life recruit to his new Lord and Master. Whether acting on his own initiative, or in obedience to a command of Christ, he took a post-graduate course at the Sinai Thelogical Seminary, Arabia. There he studied Moses and the Prophets in the light of his recent experience. Doubtless, Paul took with him into his retreat in the Mount of God, the Pentateuch, Prophets and Psalms; but when he came out, after a period of three years, he had Romans and Ephesians and other Epistles as a spiritual concept, which in due time were committed to writing. Christ apprehended Saul on the Damascus road, but Paul comprehended Christ and His Cross most perfectly in Arabia.

The Ephesian Epistle. In the Pauline Epistles we have the key to all the mysteries that are hid in the Law and the Prophecies, aye, even in the Gospels. The Ephesian Epistle has been called, "Paul's Masterpiece," and was written during his first imprisonment at Rome, immediately after he had written Colossians, an Epistle to which it bears a close resemblance in style and thought.

In the New Testament arrangement of books, Ephesians follows Galatians. Yet, what a contrast! In passing from Galatians to Ephesians, "we leave the region of controversy for that of meditation. From the battle-field we step into the hush and stillness of the temple. It is as though a door were suddenly opened to us in heaven; it shuts behind us, and earthly tumult dies away." F. W. Farrar says, "To many it has seemed that in Ephesians St. Paul is at his best and greatest." Luther called it "One of the noblest in the New Testament." F. B. Meyer observes that it has been called "The Epistle of In-ness," because it is so full

of the preposition in. Alford declares it to be "The most heavenly work of one whose imagination is peopled with things in the heavens, and even his fancy rapt in the vision of God." Coleridge said of it, "In this the divinest composition of man, is every doctrine of Christianity; first, those doctrines peculiar to Christianity; and secondly, those precepts common to it with natural religion."

Christ and the Church. In his Epistles Paul made much of two themes; namely, Christ and the church. So united were they in his inspired conception, that they blend most beautifully in one indissoluble unity. He is most happy in his rambles in the field of analogy in securing illustrations with which to adorn the church. To him the church was a building fitly joined together; a temple with individuals as component parts; the "flock of God," with Jesus as Chief Shepherd and believers as sheep; an army, with members composing the rank and file, with Jesus as the great Commander-in-Chief; a family, setting forth the obligations of both parents and children in the home, illustrating the filial affection of Christ for His people; the bride of Christ, showing the mutual conjugal happiness each experiences in the other. In the text Paul talks about Christ being "the Head over all things, to the church, which is his body."

Paul is not addressing himself to the Ephesian Church, exclusively. Indeed, that church was used as a representative of the universal church, which embraces the "saints (set-apart ones) which are at Ephesus, and the faithful in Christ Jesus," everywhere.

I. HIS BODY, THE CHURCH

1. An Organization. The very term body, presupposes organization. The normal human anatomy is a perfect organization. Indeed, even when each of its members is examined separately, there is found perfection of organization. Let one example suffice: Take the eye—what a delicate and compact mechanism the eye is, almost hidden in its bony cup. The oculist knows its lenses and shutters, its curtaining iris, its crystal deep, and "its inner chamber of imagery on which are flung the pictures of the universe." He also knows that there must be a perfect adjustment of these parts, or there will be defective vision, or total blindness. What is true of the eye is true of every other member; and what is true of every member is also true of the body as a whole.

In creation, particularly of man, God saw the perfection of organization, and "Behold, it was very good." Of all the institutions and orgations in the lives of men, the greatest and best is the church of our Lord and Master. There is power and efficiency in organization. Two is more than twice one. "One alone is a color, several together make up the pictured window of the cathedral. One alone is a sound, several together an anthem." The church is not a field, but a force; but an unorganized force is a mob. The Scriptural comparison of values is, "One (shall) chase a thousand, two (when organized shall) put ten thousand to flight."

Paul was a great church organizer. The objection is sometimes raised that our churches are over-organized. Indeed, there are those who decry all organizations. There is even an Ecclesiastic Bolshevism,

which is but another name for religious anarchy and spiritual chaos. But it is true that many of our local churches are suffering from the lack of a thorough and complete organization. There is no necessity to organize a new society or club just because such an innovation has proved a success elsewhere. The needs of an individual or local church should first be ascertained, and then the plan best adapted to meet those particular needs should be used. The institutional church, even in a very modified and conservative form, is a failure in some places; but amid different environments a fully equipped institutional church seems to be the only satisfactory solution to a most difficult problem. If one system fails to produce results, then try another; always stressing "team-work." "To every man his work."

2. An Organism. A famous sculptor, after finishing his conception of the ideal human form, invited a friend to see his materpiece. "What do you think of it?" he proudly asked. "It yet lacks one thing," was the friendly critic's reply. "What is that?" inquired the disappointed artist. The friend smilingly answered, "Life." The church of Christ is more than an organization—yes, more than the greatest and best of organizations; it is an organism—a life. It is a body of men and women who have been born of the Spirit and are being held together in a vital union with Christ, by the yielding up of their whole being to His saving authority. Paul calls the church Christ's body.

The church is the "Ecclesia"—the "Called-out" by Christ, with Christ, for Christ. What distinction could be more honorable! It is both Inter-Church and Intra-Church. It is united in an essential, mystical union, which Paul calls the "Body of Christ." Unity of organization may be good—a fondly cherished hope and prayer, but union with Christ is best of all—a consummation devoutly to be claimed and enjoyed by all Christian believers. The true church is at once a community and a communion.

The Christian church is not the same as the church of the Old Covenant. Both are the "Called-out," 'tis true; but the calling out of Israel was literal, from among the nations, and their distinguishing marks were fleshly. The calling out of the church of Christ, however, is spiritual, not carnal. The Christ in His prayer for His disciples said, "I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world (kosmos"—world-system, or literally), but that thou shouldst keep them from evil." To avoid worldly contamination one does not have to seek isolation in the cave of a hermit, or the cloister of a monk. In the lines of Wesley:

"To the desert or the cell
Let others blindly fly;
In this evil world I dwell
Unhurt, unspotted, I.
"Here I find a house of prayer,
To which I inwardly retire;
Walking unconcerned in care,
And unconsumed in fire."

The Jews of the Old Dispensation were not members of the church of Christ; it did not then exist. They were called Christ's "Own," but not

Christ's church. "He came unto His own, and His own received Him not." They were the people who naturally might be expected to receive Christ and His gospel, because of special religious training covering a period of centuries. But not so; they "received Him not." The Jews were the natural branches of the good olive-tree, Christ. As Paul argues in the eleventh chapter of Romans, Israel was a tree planted at "the calling out" of Abraham to become the father of the chosen family of God. The Gentile olive-tree, though of the same species, was not a cultivated tree, and therefore, with propriety may be called the wild olive-tree. The Jews were accorded the privilege of the church; but the Gentile world was not until Christ, Peter and Paul opened the door to them. The Jews, as Paul shows, "because of their unbelief, were broken off," and the Gentiles by their belief or faith, were "grafted in among them," and "made partakers of the root and fatness of the olive-tree." Hence, the great Apostle warned: "If God spared not the natural branches (the Jews), take heed lest he also spare not thee." Therefore, the church of Christ is not identical with the Jewish religion. On the Day of Pentecost, when Peter preached his memorable sermon, it is said, that "the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." In these brief words we have before us not Israel but the Christian church, functioning as the "Ecclesia."

The Christian church is a spiritual organism, made possible by regeneration or the new birth. I dare say that all our churches experience considerable difficulty in keeping a clean roll of members. It is easy for the register to become lumbered up with dead wood. Frequently much is made of this in revising register at the close of the year when data is being gathered for the pastor's conference report of the activities of the organic church.

Strictly speaking, so far as the true, spiritual church is concerned, no man nor body of men can add to or take from her roll of membership. In 1 Cor. 12::18, we read, "Now hath God set the members everyone of them in the body," 'tis true, but teaching us by figure that "God hath set some in the church, first, apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers." Without the work of grace and the seal of the Holy Spirit, no one can get into the church within the church, that is to say, the true, spiritual church that is to bring in the Kingdom of our Lord. To be received by fellow-Christians after a form, may constitute one a member of the outward, visible church; but only the Lord Himself can receive believers into His body, which is the spiritual or invisible church. I may add that all such prerogatives of the organic church may be exercised in harmony with the Great Charter, under which the corporate church is working. Our Lord commissioned His followers with these words, according to Matthew: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," or age. But the prerogative of adding to or taking from His vital, spiritual organism, Christ has retained in His own hands. To be sure He employs human agencies to cooperate with Him, but the building is the Lord's. "I have planted," says Paul, "Apollos watered, but God gave the increase."

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"A man came to my study one Sunday morning," writes Bishop Quayle. "He was a probationer of the church of which I was then pastor. His face was swollen with dissipation." The man looked at his pastor and then cried with a voice soaked with tears, "Brother Quayle, I called to ask you to drop my name from the church book." Doctor Quayle replied, "To put names on the church book is my Sunday business. Why should I take your name off on my day for putting names on?" In a tone of despair the man said, "I have been drunk a week. I wanted you to know about it before you went to preach this morning, so the church will not have to be disgraced any longer." The minister replied, "Dear brotherman, you do not know the gift of God, nor the blessing of the church; it is not for the strong but for the weak. You are not fit to leave the church, but to belong to it and its helpful offices. You cannot have your name taken off the church record today, beloved. This is the day we will keep it on; this is the day you need the church; I shall go to the preaching with a glad heart, if my church may help you when you need help most." They had church then and there; and it was a great service. The poor man prayed with his broken, faltering voice, which sometimes was only a sob, and the minister waited, and God waited while he prayed. There is never any haste when a poor man cries and the Lord hears. This is what he said, "Heavenly Father, help me! O h-e-l-p me! I cannot help myself. Brother Quayle won't let me go-and you won't, will you? Amen." Then the minister poured out his soul in intercession: "Lord of all might and Giver of all strength, this son of thine has fallen by the way, fallen flat on his face and cannot, by any means, arise; he is so ashamed and broken; but Thou wilt lift him up! Thou art the God of the backslider; for unless it had been so, where would any of us be? He wants to leave the church. He shall not. He needs Thy church, as we all need it. Come over and help him and do it now." The man sprang to his feet, shouting, "He has come over and helped me." Bishop Quayle says they went to church together that morning and he sat in his accustomed seat, and his face was like one of the glorified. Ah! friends, I wonder if we do not let too many of our people slip, after all. God help us to be to them the brothers they need and have a right to find in us.

The terms visible and invisible, as applied to the church of our Lord, are used here in an accommodating sense. A corporation or organization does not constitute the visibility of the church of Christ. It is the light, liberty and life of the church that makes it visible. "By their fruits ye shall know them." "Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?" "I am the vine, ye are the branches:: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit." Doctor Schofield sees three degrees of fruit bearing in this great chapter of John's gospel: "Fruit," "more fruit," "much fruit." "As we bear 'much fruit' the Father is glorified in us. The minor moralities and graces of Christianity are often imitated, but never the nine-fold 'fruit' of Gal. 5:22, 23. Where such fruit is the Father is glorified. The Pharisees were moral and intensely 'religious,' but not one of them could say with Christ, 'I have glorified thee on the earth." Hence, the necessity for Christ's moving appeal: "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide

in me. He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit." In these and other Scriptures, read in the light of the Great Commission, we have a working basis for the administration of the church's rules of government. "Whatever the church of Christ is, there holy affections and tempers are manifest, and form the genuineness of the claim." Ah! this is what makes the church visible. "Where these are wanting, there may be form and ceremony, human organization, loved acclaim of orthodoxy, sound theology, and anything else you please," but the church may not even then be visible. Brothers, the church of our Lord is more than an organization with her discipline and rules of government. She is not of the earth earthy. She is "the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."

II. CHRIST, THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

Someone has correctly said, "The world, the universe, the cosmic order is Christo-centric." This is particularly true of the church. Christ as the head of His body, the church, is a favorite metaphor with Paul. In at least fifteen places in his Epistles he use the figure.

1. The Corporate Head. Christ is the head of organized Christianity. No one denomination can claim His headship, exclusively. All churches have gone to the Bible for their polity, doubtless, but diversity of interpretation has given a multiplicity of denominations. Yet, we do not find any clear-cut form of church polity in the New Testament. We are thrown back upon spiritual interpretation for that. God "gives us the truth in great principles, but we must use our intelligence, our judment, our reason in making application of them."

There are in the world, at least two separate and distinct forms of church government. In political parlance we define them as autocracy and democracy. The autocratic form of government is that of the Roman Catholic Church, with the Pope as its head. A perfect body can have but one head. A body with two heads is a freak—a monstrosity. The idea that Christ must have a human vice-regent is, to say the least, un-Scriptural and generates not only a generous ambition to over-lord it in the church, but lays the church liable to corroding and corrupting influences, even to painful persecution. The only vice-regent Christ has is the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, who sealed the institution of the Christian church at Pentecost, and continues to guide and to abide in the affairs of corporate Christianity.

Nearly all Protestant churches have a democracy, in limited or unlimited form. In a democratic form of government, authority is vested in the members, with Christ as head. The Methodist Protestant Church expresses it in its elementary principles: "Christ is the only head of the church." In our distinctive polity we have no provision for rulers. We provide merely for officers. Believing that men are best governed when least governed, the Methodist Protestant idea is that of a "small discipline for a large life." "A maximum of Christian liberty with a minimum of church government consistent with order and efficiency." "There never has been a division, nor a serious controversy in Methodism, which was not caused by the claim or exercise of power by those in authority."

While in some churches the voice of its dignitaries is accepted as the voice of our Lord; in many churches are workers who absolutely refuse to recognize the sovereignty of Christ. By a sordid ambition they seek to bring to successful consummation some pet plan of social reform and community uplift. Alas! alas! there is no desire to exalt the great head of the church. No church can measure up to its privileges and possibilities, without the presence and power of Jesus Christ, as Lord. Everyone should take orders from Him through the legitimate agencies or officers.

Then, too, as Methodist Protestants we do not appreciate the genius and government of our church as we ought. So many of our young people who are growing up, know so little about our glorious and distinctive polity, and, many of them, seem to care less. It is urged, "Let us have less talk about 'my church' and more talk about 'the church of Christ.'" I answer, if I thought my church is not a part of the universal church of Jesus Christ, and that when I speak of my church I am not speaking of His church, I should change my church affiliations at once.

You sometimes hear people speak of the universal church with an affectation of religious liberty, who never take any part in making some particular church a richer agency for effecting that universal church. You hear men talk about loving everybody, but who never pin their love to any one person. Lovers of the universal are they but blind to the particular. The great thing for any religious soul is to have a definite work to do. That glorious opportunity to serve is given to that particular denomination of the universal church, which we affectionately call, Our Church—My Church.

I hope I am not being misunderstood. I am not opposed to church union. Neither am I in favor of organic union at any cost. I am not to be called narrow and bigoted because I have a church-home that is homelike and helpful to me. I had rather have the "narrowness" which does something for somebody where it will count for the most enduring results for the Kingdom, generally, than to have all the boasted liberality which may only be a pet name for laziness and general debility. I believe in the Holy Catholic Church; but I believe also in my own particular church, and I have no thought of the Holy Catholic Church which is not correlated with some particular church. I believe in charity, philanthropy, and humanitarianism; but I also believe with all my soul, mind and strength that in the long run I shall do more for justice, truth and fraternity by building up in increasing worth, some one church of my Lord and Master.

One attitude that may help toward combination and consolidation of churches is not less talk of denominationalism but more talk of interdenominationalism. What we need, after all, is less competition and more co-operation and co-ordination. Less desire to outstrip the foremost in the race for numbers and material wealth, and more of the mind of our Master looking to the upbuilding of true manhood and womanhood "in Christ Jesus." However, denominational affection, fraternity and loyalty must never be confused or tainted with sanctimonious sectarianism. I have only disgust, disdain for the bigot, whether in my own church or in that of another.

In closing this outlook of our subject, let us resolve to apply our energies more vigorously to the tasks that lie next, doing our best to

make our own church a power in the world, and to continue to love every other church that bears aloft the glorious banner of our Lord and Master.

2. The Mystical Head. Christ not only presides over His church in a corporate capacity; He is her efficient cause, prolific source and spiritual, vitalizing head. Spiritually "in Him we live, and move, and have our being." He is that mysterious or mystical One who dictates and directs in the more sacred and vital affairs of the believers personal life, and in the life of the church. He must have His people, as a sovereign must have his subjects, or as a head must be vitally connected with the body. "Christ must be Lord of all, or He is not Lord at all." Christ's headship is the church's vitality, the church's life. His rule is the church's happiness and guarantee of efficiency. The church owes supreme allegiance to no man, save Jesus only. We acknowledge, avow and glorify the Lordship of Christ, "Who loved the church and gave Himself for it." When we remember that the church is the bride of Christ, we see the appropriateness of the supreme sacrifice.

The bride of Christ! What tender memories and hallowed associations this analogy awakens. Dear brother, well do you remember when you were engaged to the woman of your choice, the idol of your affection and the ideal of your life. You loved her with a pure passion. Through fire and flood you would have gone rather lose her. What an awakening these reflections produce! What wonderful dreams and their happiest realizations! And, it is a blessed historical fact that the great bridegroom, the Christ, actually gave His life for the bride, the church. For her He poured out the last drop of His precious blood on the cruel, crimson Cross of Calvary, in the wooing and winning; and she is His and He is hers forevermore.

"Christ is the head of His body, the church." The head is as yet in heaven, and His body is still on the earth. But even so, they are closely united, as the analogy shows. Until the head perishes the body is secure. We have no thought of separation. When Christ, who is our Head, shall appear in glory, the body which is the church, will also appear with Him. When Christ shall swiftly descend in the golden cloud-chariot to take home His bride, "we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." The engagement has been published among the sons and daughters of earth, and the betrothal will be consummated in heaven.

Henry Drummond tells of a girl, who wore a locket about her neck, holding a secret which not even her most intimate friends knew. When she died the locket was opened and the secret was out: namely, "Whom having not seen I love." Truly, a glorious secret! Somehow the great Christ inhabits the invisible sanctuaries of our hearts. He wants to bless through our touch; hear through our ears; see through our eyes; speak through our voices; feel through our hearts. As one has said, "Hidden beneath all outer horizons, the Lord Christ suffuses human nature with a glory excell-

ing twilight skies enkindled by flames from altars of the Infinite Beauty."

"He came and took me by the hand
Up to the red-rose tree;
He kept His meaning to Himself,
But gave a rose to me.
"I did not ask Him to lay bare
The mystery to me;
Enough the rose was sweet to smell
And His own face to see."

Gypsy "Pat" Smith tells the following story of the late Doctor Berry, of England. Late one night Doctor Berry's door-bell rang. Every one else in the house was asleep. When the doctor answered the door-bell, there stood a typical Lancashire girl with a shawl on her head. "Are you Doctor Berry," she asked. "I want you to come and get my mother in." Thinking her mother was drunk, Doctor Berry directed her to the police. "No, no," she said, "mother is dying and I want you to get her into heaven." The minister still hesitated to go and asked if there were not other ministers near her. "Yes, but I must have you." He went with her and found himself in a tenement neighborhood, in a house where drunken carousing was going on down stairs. Up stairs, in a shabby room, was a dying woman. Now Doctor Berry was much in love with "ethical preaching." He told the woman of the beautiful life and the noble example of Jesus. She shook her head, "That's not for me. I am a sinful woman, and I am dying." "It flashed upon me," said Doctor Berry, "that I had no message of hope for her in any 'ethical gospel' I knew. Like lightning, my mind leaped back to the gospel I had learned in my childhood. I told her of Jesus Christ dying on the cross, that just such as she might be saved; of His blood shed for the remission of sins, and of the blessed truths of the old, old story." He said, "I got her in, and I got myself in, too." What a compassionate Saviour is Jesus Christ, the head of the church!

III. THE GREAT COHESION

The botanist defines cohesion as, "The congenital union of similar or dissimilar parts." The physicist accepts the term as expressing, "That force by which the molecules are held together in the body." Paul affirms that the "New Creation," the Christian church, finds its cohesion in Christ: "In Him all things consist," that is, cohere, hold together.

The church centers, therefore, in a personality, but not in a mere human personality. No man, nor company of men can hold the church together very long. A church with a brilliant pulpit and an influential pew, must disintegrate unless Jesus Christ is center and head. A church that is cohered by a minister, illustrious or otherwise, must ultimately come to grief, unless Christ is accorded His rightful place. Something more than creed, discipline, form or even the personality of a human leader is required.

What is it that coheres the human body? Not something from without but within. We call it the principle of life. So long as life remains in the body, its members cannot be separated except by force and skill.

But as soon as life is extinct, the embalmer must be called in to preserve the body, even for a few days. Dissolution, decomposition sets in at once. The element of bodily cohesion has gone. So it is with the body of Christ, the church. It is held together by a force within itself. "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

The ancient Egyptians discovered and used a marvelous process of embalming the human body, as the mummies attest. So moderns have discovered a process of embalming dead churches, by which they may be kept above ground. But they are corpses still and are too common for curiosities. The only end these expert embalmers attain is to emphasize the difference between a dead church and a living one. It is literally true that a body cannot function when it loses its head. Yet, you will find some church experts who seem slow to concede this. When a church fails properly to function, or as we commonly say, is dying, the modernist of a certain type is quick to state that the church is failing because her doctrines have become obsolete and her methods antiquated. "Let us have a new and fresh emphasis from the pulpit," they say; "something that will appeal to a wide-awake, rational pew. Stress the ornate system of ethical atonement—the world is weary and nauseated with the terminology of the shambles. The nerve centers are too highly tensionel longer to endure your old-fashioned, moss-grown theology. Give us something new; something in keeping with the new day. Come down from the clouds and minister in a more practical way to the needy who walk the weary ways of the world." Well; maybe it would be better for the world and none the worse for the church, if we were to forget much of our present-day theology; revise many of our religious systems; improve many of our church plans, and abandon all mere conventionalities. But, our greatest need today is a new and fuller emphasis upon the great fundamental teachings of Christianity. Therefore, back to the Bible; back to the Cross; back to Pentecost; back to Olivet; back, yes, back to "the Christ we forget," and also to "the church we forget." "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

Christ, in reply to the great confession, said, "Thou are Peter (literally, 'a little rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church." And Peter, in his first Epistle tells us that believers are "lively stones," and as such "are built up a spiritual house." Hence, Christ has given the plans and specifications for the church and has issued the permit to build. See the dignity and glory of the individual believer—a "lively stone." Each stone, in building, is worked separately. Even so, the "lively stones." in the great temple of the church, are worked separately, "polished after the similitude of a palace," and placed with divine care. Christ's plan is vital and vitalizing personal contact. Men are not saved en masse, but individually, "one by one"—"everyone winning one."

There are many who do not take their religious profession and life seriously. They not only lightly esteem their church vows, but seem egotistically to claim the right to cast the weight of their influence against the growth and prosperity of the church. I have become thoroughly tired of so much loose and cheap talk about the church, from both without and within.

There are those who pride themselves upon independence of thoughtfree thought, new thought, or some other thought-cult that promotes the liberal view of "thinking for high results." While an enthusiastic adherent has called such rationalistic views the "art of taking hold," it seems much more like the "art of letting go and letting down," if such an attitude may be called an art. Here is a narrow stream of water making in from the great pond. A wall is built on either side to a depth of eight or ten feet. Not very far away is a flat, marshy area, wherein a pool of greenish glimmer boasts of its broad expense of surface and freedom from artificial barriers. But, see! The gates that have temporarily arrested the laws of gravitation at the old mill-race, are lifted and volumes of clear, sparkling water go dashing and splashing over the massive millwheel, setting in operation the machinery that grinds the farmer's grist, or saws the lumberman's logs. The poisonous pool stirs not in its false complacency, but continues to boast of its breadth of vision and freedom of thought, exhaling all the while its deadly gases. The "Ecclesia" is sometimes ridiculed for "narrowness," and scoffed at for "restricted views" on the very vital questions of personal liberty. But the true church goes on meeting and satisfying humanity's deepest needs, much more fully than any other system or any cult can do.

To be sure an antagonistic world is arrayed against Christian teaching, Christian worship and Christian obligation. We are still in the backwash of a horrible world catastrophe. We are still suffering the inevitable results of the world war. The craze for artificial amusement, of the unsavory, hazardous kind; the passion for freakishness and immodest display; an unparalleled crime wave, sweeping from shore to shore; the oppression of conscienceless profiteers found among both capital and labor; a stoical attitude toward suffering and even death; an anarchistic disregard for law enforcement; an avowed hostility to the Christian church. "Turn where where you will, one finds only that the war has worsened mankind. Those who speak of the heroic virtues which are born on the battlefield, which spring, like the Phoenix, out of the ashes of war, are uttering the most stupid clap-trap. The dominion of darkness is still here, and a slimy progeny of cruelty, of beastliness, of insensibility, of egotism, of violence, of materialism, has crawled into the light of day."

But enough of this sickening recital of world conditions. Is there no hope of relief? Yes; thank God! The church of Christ holds the solution; namely, the enthronement of Christ as Lord, and His coming coronation as King of kings and Lord of lords. God help us to hasten the dawning of that glad day, when they shall

"Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him
Lord of all."

The Christian church has not only to put up a strong defense against the triple alliance—the world, the flesh and the devil—but must also make offensive drives against the stronghold of the wicked one. The Christian church asks no quarters of an unfriendly world. The gauntlet of battle

was thrown down by our great Commander-in-Chief, and we renew the challenge. But when men of boasted integrity, uprightness and high resolve; men who profess to love the things for which the church stands. and hate the things our Lord hates; when such men habitually disregard the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and pass by the church every Sunday to some place of recreation—what shall we say of them? I assume to keep no man's conscience. I judge no man. But suppose their habit of life were to become the universal practice, what would be the moral effect on our citizenship? Would our country be a greater country? Would it be a better land to live in? Would life and health be more sacred? property and wealth be more secure? Would men be more industrious and honest? Would home and happiness be more pure? Would our boys and girls be better trained? If so; then destroy every chapel, meeting-house, church and cathedral. If the church is no longer necessary, then let her be exterminated, root and branch. She is too expensive an institution to be perpetuated. But, on the other hand, if the church is a stabilizer of our country's institutions, the bulwark of our national security, perpetuity and greatness, is it not a very ungracious, aye, ungenerous thing when men who owe everything worth while that they have and are to her teaching, cultivate a cool indifference to her very life, and really throw the weight of their influence against her forward advance?

If Christ loved the church, why should not I? Why have not I a greater devotion, aye, a holier passion for what He loved? Come, let us wash the dust of materialism out of our eyes; clear the mist and fog from an overcast moral and spiritual firmament; expell all doubt from a tired and timid heart. Let us believe in the church because of Christ's unfailing attitude toward and vital connection with her.

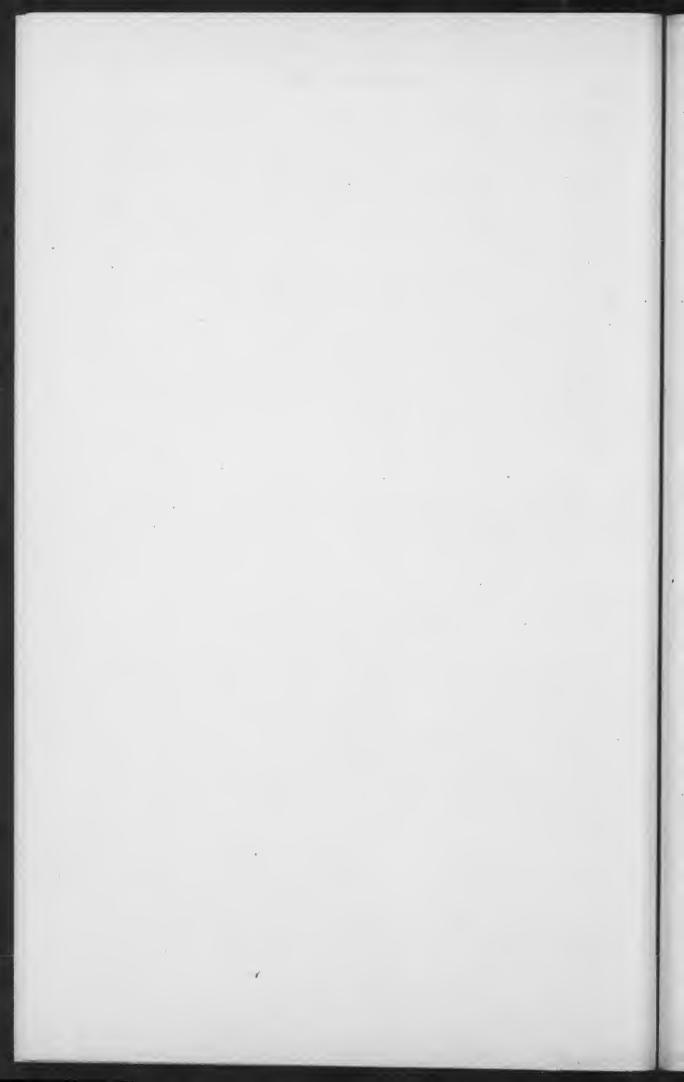
"I love Thy church, O God, Her walls before Thee stand, Dear as the apple of Thine eye And graven on Thy hand."

Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it." O beloved, think of what that means!—He "gave Himself," that the church might not fail. When one actually loves the church he not only seeks her peace and prosperity, but he is never happier than when rendering to her a sacrificial service. We have such men and women in all our churches. Friends are saying, "What shall we do when these who passionately love the church have gone Home?" What finer legacy could any one leave to posterity than a strong, practical love for the church? I would rather be known as the son of parents who love the church, than be the child of a potentate. When such persons have gone, Jesus will write above their resting place, "He loved the church," or "she loved the church," and angels will gather to read it. The acid test of love for Christ is love for His church.

The church is not simply an aggregation of Christian believers—a cosmos of beauty, utility and efficiency. It is a sanatarium for tired nerves; a sanatorium for wasted bodies; a rest retreat for weary souls, and a refuge of salvation and peace for all believers in Jesus Christ our Lord. The weakest, the most passionate is as welcome here as is an angel-guest when the shades of night are falling. Christ needs the church! How

wonderful! How marvelous! How glorious! Christ needs the church as much as the head needs the body, because it is through the church that He fulfills Himself. Let us ask Him to fill all of us with all of Himself. For, we need Him. Oh, how great the need of the church and the world for the Christ! Christ alone can make the church to "look forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." We need Him. Oh, how much we need Him. Thank God, everyone here assembled this morning can say, "I am my beloved's, and my Beloved is mine."

"My Beloved is white and ruddy, the chiefest among then thousand. His head is as the most fine gold, His locks are bushy, and black as a raven. His eyes are as the eyes of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, and fitly set. His cheeks are as a bed of spices, as sweet flowers: His lips like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh. His hands are as gold rings set with the beryl; His belly is as bright ivory overlaid with sapphires. His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold; His countenance is as Lebanon excellent as the cedars. His mouth is most sweet: yea, he is altogether lovely. This is my Beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem."



FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

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143 Mt. Tabor	21	04	21	04	138	14	138	14	35 60	35 66	194 84	194 84
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Accomac, Va Alexandria, Va Amelia, Va Baltimore:	1 3	2 1 3	1 1 1	20000 20000 3500	4000	3400	2800	12	511	\$243 138 136	\$34 19 19	673 666	1,500.00 1,000.00 1,000.00
Alnutt Mem'l Bethany Broadway Brooklyn	1 1	1 1 1 1 2 1	1 1 1 1 1 1	5000 30000 15000	$3500 \\ 2500 \\ 1000$	700	50000 4400 3500 16000	8	1612 380 617 716	429 101 164 191	61 14 23 27	495 804	2,100.00 }2,000.00 1,500.00
Calvary Chesaco Park Christ Ch E. Baltimore	1 2 1 1	1 2 1 1	1 1 1	5000 60000	6000 3000		8000 2600 32500 93002	7 16 25	878 221 2167 789	234 58 577 210	33 8 81 30	$\frac{1145}{287}$	1,404.00 600.00 2,200.00 1,300.00
Eutaw Evergreen Hampden Keen Mem'l		1 1 1 1	1 1 1	30000 6000 26000 20000	10000	••••••	22500 5000 20000 1	50 9 17	883 467 2860 858	235 124 761 229	33 18 108 32	609 3729 1119	2,000.00 1,000.00 2,000.00
Lauraville Linthicum Hts Lowe Mem'l N. Baltimore	1	1 1 1	1 1 1	11300 14000 35000 36000	7000 4000	3700 1340	3500 12000 2500	5 36 50	408 653 1478 1457	109 174 393 388	15 25 56 55	532 852	1,500.00 1,500.00 2,000.00 2,400.00 800.00
Payson St S. Baltimore Starr St. John's	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1	1	$16000 \\ 25000 \\ 240000$	8000 20000	9000 4000 39000	8000 1 7500 3 40000 5	288	351 948 1933 2114	93 252 515 563	13 36 73 79	2521	1.800.00
St. Paul's Trinity Violetville Waverly	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1	1	15000 11000 3000 2500	4500	650	7000 2 3000 4250 1	5	1016 366 353 364	270 97 94 97	38 14 13 14	1324	1,480.00 1,300.00 800.00 700.00
W. Baltimore Wilton Hgts Balto. Circuit Bedford	1 1 3 5	3	1 1 1 1	80000 35000 22000	8000 4000	11500	20000 2 20000 .	3	1927 792 739 832	513 211 200 221	72 30 28 31	2512 1033 967	2,500.00 1,500.00 1,100.00 1,200.00
Belair	4 2 1 1		1 1 1 1 1	19000 10000 33800	7000 1900 4500			1 1 1	800 623 973 885	213 166 259 236	30 23 37 33	1043 812 1269	1,100.00 1,000.00 1,500.00 1,800.00
Cambridge Cir. Cannon	2 3 4 3	2.3	1 1 1	4000 4200 5000 12000	2500 . 2500 .		1000 2400 4500 2 6500 1	2 7 0	249 484 560 588	66 129 149 156	9 18 21 22	324 631 730	600.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00
Centreville Chestertown Chincoteague	1 1 1 3	1	1 1 1 1	15000 8 60000 1 6000 1	3000 . 1 0000 . 1600		8000 2 58000 4	0	533 1253 308 637	142 334 82 169	20 47 12 24	695	1,500.00 2,000.00 900.00
Clayton, Del Concord, Pa Conquest, Va Crisfield, Cris	3 1 1 1	3 2 1	1 1 1	9000 1 5800 1 17600 4 30000 3	1000 . 1000 3000	7710 235	3800 11500 19000 1500	2	684 448 1385 213	182 119 638 57	26 17 52	892 584 2075	800.00 800.00 1,100.00 2,200.00
Lawsonia Mariners Crumpton Cumberland	1 2	1 2	1 1 1	3000. 60001 48001	200 . 1000 .		4000 3100 1	3	782 208	208	8 29 8	270	900.00 1,000.00 600.00
1st Church Mapleside	1 2	1 2.	1	30000 7 3000 .			$110004 \\ 16001$		987 324	263 86	37 12		1,500.00 1,000.00

PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS

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Melvin Chapel	1 2	1		3600			800 1		277	74	10	361	900.00
Deer Creek Deer Park Delmar, Del Delta, Pa Denton Dorchester	1 1 1	2 4 1 1 1 4	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4000 8000 10000 8000 15000 6000	2500 3000 3000 3500		3200 6500 4 10000 6000 1 7500 2 6000 1	3	399 754 698 786 711 607	106 201 186 209 189 164	15 28 26 30 27 23	910 1025 927	1,200.00 1,300.00 1,500.00
Dover, Del	1	1	1	20000	5000	400	3500	9	494	132	19	645	1,000.00
Easton Elizabeth, N. J.	1	1	1	$25000 \\ 20000$	5000 8000	$\frac{150}{3800}$	128852 143001	1	862 731	229 195	$\begin{array}{c} 32 \\ 27 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1123 \\ 953 \end{array}$	1,200.00
Fairfax, Va	4	4	1	5000	1800	300	5925 1	6	378	100	14	492	700.00
FawnGrove, Pa. Federalsburg	2	2 2	1	$20400 \\ 15000$	3000 3500	800	9000 4 5000	7 9	972 717	259 191	37 27	1268 935	1,500.00 1,400.00
Felton, Del	4	4	1	5500	2000	400	4500 1	4	316	84	12	412	900.00
Finksburg	4	4	1	$20000 \\ 100000$	3200 10000	2000	$110004 \\ 650003$	2	1329 3010	353 801	50 113	3924	3.000.00
Franklin C'y, Va	4	4	1	13500	3000		6000 1	7	684	182	26	209	1.200.00
Frederick Georgeto'n,Del.	4.1	4	1	5500 11000		300	4950 1 8600 1	8	742 671	197 179	28 25	967 875	1,100.00 1,200.00
GreenbushT's'y	2	2	1	6500	7000	6000	6500 2	1	398	106	15	519	700.00
Greensboro Greenw'd, Del.	1 3	1 3 5	1	$\frac{3000}{10000}$	1900		$22000 \dots 10000 1$		148 700	39 186	26	193 912	900.00
Grove	4		1 1	12000	1500		3500 1		342	91	13	446	1,000.00
Harbeson, Del. Harmony, W.V.	1 2	4	1	3200 8000	2500	411	2000	3	515 395	137 105	19	671 515	1,100.00 1,000.00
Harpers F'y, W.V.	2	2	1	8000	3500	500	2700 20 5000 1	1	518	138	19	.675	1.200.00
Harrington, Del	1 4:	4 1 2 1 3½	1	15000	3500		6500 18	3	793	211	30	1084	1,200.00 1,600.00
Howard Hurlock	3	3	1	12300 11300	4000 2500	1100	1150074 490024	1	931 595	248 158	35 22		1,400.00
Indian Riv, Del.	1	3 1. 5		700					98	26	4	100	1 200 00
Kemptown Kennedyville	5	1	1	14000 4 5000 9	1000 · 2500 ·		8600 68 4000 23	- 8	$\begin{array}{c c} 1217 \\ 532 \end{array}$	324 142	46 20	1587 694	1,200.00
Kent Island	2	2	1	6000	1800		4000 12	2	367	98	14	479	700.00
Laurel, Del Laurel Circuit	1 4	1	1	35000 3 5000 3	3000	6000	$ \begin{array}{c cccc} $		1082	288 160	41 23	799	1,500.00 1,100.00
Leeds	2	2	1	80002	2500.		7000 18	5	559	149	21	729	1,200.00
Leipsic, Del Lewes, Del	1	1	1	4000 4000	700		2000 4 2500		$\begin{array}{c c} 275 \\ 147 \end{array}$	72 39	10	357 192	450.00 500.00
Lewistown. Liberty Lisbon.	2	2		5000.			3000		324	86	12	422	300.00
Liberty	2	2.5	1	70002 8900 5	2000.		5200 15 0107 30		429 988	$\begin{array}{c c} 114 \\ 263 \end{array}$	16 37	559	700.00
Lynchburg	1	1	1	250006	0000	20001	3000 21		675	180	25	8801.	1,500.00
Mardela	4	2.	1	8000 1 5000.				3	785 346	209	30	1024	1,000.00 950.00
Middleway, W. Va.	1	1	1	800	500			1	92	$\begin{array}{c c} 92 \\ 24 \end{array}$	13	451 119	
Milton	1	2	1	400004 38002	500		2500 23		1018	271	38	1327	1,700.00
Mt. Nebo	3	3	1	125003	000	1100	3500 15 5800 5		622 890	$\begin{array}{c c} 167 \\ 237 \end{array}$	23 34	1161	1,200.00 1,000.00
New Church, Va.	3	3		500003	000	1	2000 54		800	213	30	1043	L,500.00
New Market Nichols M. & G.	2	2	2	250001 110009		1200	2000 40 $7500 18$		932	$\begin{array}{c} 248 \\ 193 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c c} 35 \\ 27 \end{array}$	947	1,200.00 1,200.00
Northumber'nd	5	5	1	200002	500		2000 42		967	257	36	1260	1,300.00
Oak Grove, Va.	1	1	1	25001	200]		3300 24	_	397	106	15	518	550.00

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Oxford		0	1	4000	2500		3300		474	≥ 126	18	618	1,000.00
Parksley, Va Patapsco Philadelphia:	1 1 1	1	1	21000 1000	5000		8500 900		926 133	246 36	35	1207 177	1,400.00 200.00
Emmanuel St. Luke's Taylor Mem'l Pipe Creek Pittsville	1 1 2 3	1 1 1 2 3 1 3 2 3	1 1 1 1 1	$40000 \\ 9000 \\ 12000$	10000 6000 4000 4000	14500 9000	23000 14000 8000 7000	12 30 13 60	1247 1351 633 1200	188 332 360 168 319	27 47 51 24 45	1626	1,560.00 1,400.00 1,800.00 900.00 1,600.00
Pocomoke City Pocomoke Cir Potomac, Va Powellville Prince Geo., Va.	3 2 3 2	2	1 1 1 1 0	5000 2500	700 8000 1500	7426		11 21 28 12	460 738 469 273	267 122 196 125 73	38 17 27 17 10	599 961 611 356	900.00 1,400.00 1,000.00 300.00
Quantico Queen Annes Reliance Rowlanville Salem.	2	3 3 2	1 1 1 1	4000 5200 13000 6500 10000	1200 3000 1500 2000	945	6500 7200	16 27 8 30	457	96 70 220 73 122 538	13 10 31 10 17	471 343 1077 355 596	1,000.00 1,000.00
Salisbury Seaford, Del Selbyville, Del. Sharptown Snow Hill	1 1 2 2 2 2 2 3	1	1	35500 14000 10000 16000 35000	2500 1500 2500 4500	1100	8800	33 1 17 35	890 448 803	237 119 214 228 143	75 33 18 30 32 20	$1047 \\ 1119$	1,350.00 500.00 1,200.00 1,400.00
Stewartstown St. James St. Michaels Susquehanna Texas	3	2 3 3 1 2	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	11000 10500 15000 7400 2000 10500	3500 2000 2000	100	8500 12000 8800 3500 10000	21 20 33 4	741 629 755 148 758	197 167 201 39 202	27 24 28 6 28	965 820 984 193	1,100.00 1,000.00
Trinity	4	$\frac{4}{2}$	1 1 1 1	1000 7500 9500 2000	1500 2500 2500 2000	• • • • • • • • • •	1400	35 17 33	74 989 417 457 558	20 263 111 122 148	37 16 17 21	988 97 1289 544 596 727	1,300,00
Washington: Cherrydale First Church Georgetown	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	10000 30000 25000	5000 1000 8000	2700 700 475	5500 15000 13000	20 21 18	669 1139 884 485	$egin{array}{c} 178 \ 303 \ 235 \ 134 \ \end{array}$	25 43 33	$\frac{1485}{1152}$	1,500.00 1,400.00 1.600.00
Mt. Tabor N. C. Ave R. I. Ave Wesley Chapel Westminster	1 1 3 1		1 1 1 1 1	50000	6000 8000 2000	5800 11500	$14500 \\ 35000 \\ 36000 \\ 4500 \\ 13500$	25 55 11 30	1246 1926 394 934	332 513 105 249	18 47 72 15 35	$1625 \\ 2511 \\ 514$	1,200.00 1,600.00 3,000.00 800.00 1,500.00
Wilmington, First Ch Peninsula W. Wilming'n Whaleyville Wye	1 1 1	1 0 1 2	2 1 	9000 13500 5000 4800	5600 12000 2000	6050	9000 11500 2100 3400	13 20 1 21	317 228 130 616 399	85 58 35 164 105	12 14 5 23 15	$\frac{414}{300}$	1,000.00 2,400.00 250.00 1,200.00
Pres. Pars'ge W. T. Sem'n'y W. M. College.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			$\begin{array}{c} 22000 \\ 6000 \\ 110000 \\ 450000 \end{array}$			10000 4000 90000 100000		The the redent.	ese figueturn ca Where	res a rds se e no alaries	ent to the cards	en from ne Presi- were re- 1920-21
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Financial Summary

Total for General Interests

	1921	1920	Increase	Decrease
President's Salary	25,498.84 6,507.78	23,351 6,559	\$ 2,147.84	\$ 130.04 51.22
Total	\$108,534.70	\$257,168		\$148,633.30

Total for Local Interests

	 1921 	 1920 	Increase	Decrease
Pastor's Salary	38,995 74,032	\$153,496 35,426 55,564 29,852 52,635 27,747 48,360	\$ 26,283 3,569 18,468 5,779 65,160 25,951 3,000	
Total for Local Interests Total for all purposes		\$403,080 660,248	\$148,210	\$ 423.30

Assessments

19	922	1921	Increase	Decrease
President's Salary\$ 4, Maryland Con. Interests 29, General Con. Interests 110,		\$ 4,000 26,350 6,800		

J. A. DUDLEY, Conference Steward.

R. W. WHITE, Asst. Steward.

Statistical Summary

Membership

	1921	1920	Increase	Decrease
Ministers and Preachers.			•	
Unstationed Min'ters & Preachers	68	63	5	
Probationers	1038			9
Full Members	34674	34249	435	
Probationers Received	807	958		151
Probationers Elected to Mem		577	47	
Probationers Discontinued	194		50	
Full Members Received	3090	2938	62	
Full Members Withdrawn	536			34
Full Members Discontinued			93	
Full Members Deceased				43
Adults Baptized		233	74	
Children Baptized	1842		191	
Conversions		3584	88	
Sunday Schools	271	277		6
S. S. Officers and Teachers		3728	403	
New Scholars	5855		1776	
S. S. Scholars on Roll	35346		911	
C. E. Societies	126		4	
C. E. Members	5324		655	
Jr. C. E. Societies	49	53		4
Jr. C. E. Members	1993			37
Money for Foregn Missions		\$1,393.00	\$1,121.75	
Money for Conf. Union Miss	967.00	1,009.00		\$42.00

Property

	1921	1920	Increase	Decrease
Appointments Churches Parsonages Value of Church Property Value of Parsonage Property Debt on Churches and Parsonages Insurance on C. and P Church Papers Taken	3,404,000 536,250 222,372	293½ 131 3,057,150	346,850 88,150 9,012 236,487 63	7 4

J. N. LINK,

W. EDGAR HARISON,

Committee on Statistics.

In tabulating the various reports this year we note the wide range in the percentage of valuation of insurance carried by the various charges. For illustration,

No. 1-No Insurance.

No. 2—Value, \$88,000. Ins., \$20,000; less than one-quarter the value.

No. 3—Value, \$25,000. Ins., \$3,500; less than one-seventh the value.

We therefore recommend that the question of adequate insurance on all church property be given careful consideration by the incoming pastor at the first quarterly conference with particular attention being paid to frame buildings, and suggest that said buildings be insured up to at least two-thirds of their value. That insurance on buildings other than frame be made in reference as to their location, nearness to fire protection, etc.

J. N. LINK,

W. EDGAR HARRISON.

Manual

Rules of Order and Regulations

for the

Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Rule. I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. .. 1. Conference shall convene in Annual session on the first Wednesday in April, except in such

years as Easter falls on the Sunday immediately following the first Wednesday, when it shall convene on the Wednesday following Easter.

2. The Pastor shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delgates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and to the pastor of the Church where the Conference is held.

The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Con-

- ference shall organize.
 4. The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses of the Conference, including the publication of the Minutes-each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.
- Rule II. OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE. Duties of the President:-1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

See that the business of the Conference shall proceed according to these Rules of Order and other Rules and Regulations adopted by the Conference.

3. Shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference.

4. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

- 5. Not allow improper personalities nor reflections upon any religious communities.
- 6. Announce each person arising to speak as soon as he shall have addressed the chair by declaring him "The minister from ———," or "The delegate from ———," delegate from -
- 7. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order, and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.
- Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of ballot.
- 9. May call any member to the chair when he wishes to participate in debate or for other purposes, but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after adjournment.
- 10. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.
- 11. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.
- 12. In the event of the death of any ministerial member or his wife or widow, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.
- The President of the Conference is relieved from the usual plan of visitation on the Charges. He is to make survey of the District; assume general oversight of all church work; he is to use his official leadership in securing the most constructive development for the Charges.

And so far as possible, he is to meet the Official Board of each Charge once

The failure of the President to visit any Charge does not vitiate his

right to the amount assessed on said Charge for his salary.

And each charge shall forward, not later than July 1st of each year, the amount levied thereon for President's salary to the Conference Treasurer—who shall pay monthly to the President his salary.

14. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference Treasurer and at such times.

ference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$1,200 for the pastor. And he, the President, shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors, and

upon all the churches the importance of being incorporated.

Rule III. Duties of the Secretary:—1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman "pro tempore" and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference and be

accountable for them.

Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last ad-4. journment.

Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference, and be the

Committee on Credentials.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of such written resolutions.

Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business

brought before the Conference and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record: First, the standing committees in the order of their arrangement in these rules, and second, all other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as

occasion may require.

Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

Be the Committee on the Publication and distribution of the 11. Minutes.

Supply the pastors with blanks, and send blank personal report 12. blanks to all ministers who are not pastors, on which they are to state the

relation to the Conference they desire for the ensuing year.

13. He shall have a printed record of the Minutes duly certified by himself, which shall be considered the Official Minutes of the Conference, substantially bound every quadrennium, and include in each volume a copy of the General Conference Journal.

Be the Committee on Transportation.

Rule IV. Duties of Stewards and Treasurer:—1. The Conference Steward and the Treasurer shall constitute the Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from the pastors; and this Board shall be responsible to the Conference for all

money and receipts and vouchers delivered to them.

They shall meet on Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock and open the pastor's envelopes containing the reports and collections; shall deliver the various parts of the reports as designated; shall note the agreement of the pastors' financial reports with the financial envelope and prepare the reports for the Conference. The financial envelopes shall be passed to the Treasurer, who shall have charge of all the moneys of the Conference for distribution, upon order of the Conference Steward, which shall be the voucher of the Treasurer for his transactions, to the persons des-

ignated by the Conference to receive them. The Treasurer shall disburse money collected by the Conference for every purpose; in which transactions he shall perform the work assigned heretofore to the Superannuated Fund Steward and of the Church Extension Steward, as per special rules of each Society, and he shall continue in office until his successor shall be elected. He shall keep a ledger and open account with some accepted bank, and his accounts shall be open for inspection at all times to the President of the Conference, or one designated by him.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed

and reported upon separately as now.

Rule V. COMMITTEES. All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

The Standing Committees shall be:-1. Board of Finance-3

Ministers, 3 Laymen.
2. Itinerancy and Orders—The Faculty of Instruction.

3. Pulpit Service-3 Ministers.

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- Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
 Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
 Literature and Education—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
 Young People's Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. 6. 7.

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Moral Reform—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
Official Relations—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. 9. 10.

11. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
12. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This Committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.

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Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
President's Report—2 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
Committee of Audit—2 Ministers, 1 Layman. 14. 15.

Conference Program for the following session—3 Ministers (one 16. of whom shall be the President), 3 Laymen.

Appointees on the Executive Committee of Union of Young People's Work-3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 2 Laymen.

18. Our Church Home-3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. 19.

Social Service—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. Conference Arrangements—The President and the Standing Dis-20. trict Committee.

21. Evangelism—3 Ministers and 3 Laymen. The President of the Conference a member, ex-officio, with voting power. (This an ad-interim committee.)

Board of Survey-5 Ministers and 5 Laymen. The President of the Conference a member, ex-officio, with voting power. (This is an ad-

interim committee.)

3. Any person being a member of two committees shall have the

right to decline an appointment to another.

4. When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations shall quietly inform the President, whereupon the President may request the visitors be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an "Honor Roll" of the charges which pay their assessments in full. And also the percentage of those charges paying less than 100 per cent.

Rule VI. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION:-1. At 9 o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

2. The Roll shall then be called, the Secretary reporting the names of absentees. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the chairman, or in his absence some member, of his Obituary Committee

shall formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll, and the same thall then, on motion, be transferred to the Memorial Roll by the Secretary.

At 10.30 A. M. of the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, followed by the Lord's Supper. The President shall appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A. M. on Sunday. The time for holding Memorial Services for deceased members of the Conference shall be determined by the Conference Program Committee.

4. Examination of the President. At 2 P. M. the President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee; and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question: "Shall his character pass?"

5. At 3 P. M. on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, as follaws: 1. President. 2. Secretary. 3. Steward. 4. Treasurer. The Steward and Treasurer elected.

retary. 3. Steward. 4. Treasurer. The Steward and Treasurer elected at one session shall serve at the following session, and they shall appoint two assistants with the approval of the Conference. 5. Standing District Committee, consisting of three ministers and three laymen. 6. Committee

on Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

6. Examination of Official Character. At 4 P. M. Thursday the roll shall be called and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections placed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor and the name of the charge in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Relations.

7. The sessions of Friday and Saturday shall end at noon, that the Committees may have time for their work, and that the President may have opportunity to interview delegates and ministers.

Rule VII. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAILY SESSIONS:—

On each day following the opening session there shall be held a devotional service lasting thirty minutes, beginning at 9.00 o'clock A. M.
 Reading of Minutes of the preceding day for correction and adop-

Calling of the roll of charges in alphabetical order, for the presentation of any business by delegates or pastors from the churches they represent. When any such, upon recognition of the Chair, shall present any business it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business, or referred to the proper committee without motion.

4. Call for reports from Boards, Institutions and Societies, and communications, which shall be put upon the Secretary's desk to be taken up in regular order, or made the order of the day.

5. Reports of standing and special committees called for in order, and they shall be handed to the Secretary to be read by him. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

6. Miscellaneous business.

When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and at a specific hour.

Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

9. Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

10. When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

Rule VIII. DECORUM:—1. When a member desires to present any

business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the Chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference, after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

2. If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

3. No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing

the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

4. When a member is called to order he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule or order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

6. No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of the Conference, nor longer than fifteen minutes

at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

8. Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

Rule IX. MOTIONS:—1. Every motion shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the pro-

posed division.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the first three to be taken without debate; and the first always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending—except in cases in which character is involved—and if sustained by two-thirds of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.

5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a

When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

- 6. No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

 7. A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.
- No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment; but it shall be in order to move a substitute for the main question, and one amendment to the substitute, and if a substitute is accepted it shall replace the original proposition.

All motions to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Con-

ference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

Rule X. VOTING .- 1. Every member who is within the bar at the

time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.

2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.

3. Votes for all Conference Officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yea and nay; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.

4. A member may change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.

5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.

Ayes and nays, and a vote by orders shall be as prescribed in the

Discipline.

Rule XI. AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS. All motions or resolutions, whether submitted by committees or individual members, contemplating an amendment to these Rules and Regulations, must so specify. Otherwise, such action shall not be binding upon any other session of the Conference than that at which the same is passed.

REGULATIONS.

Regulation I. DUTIES OF PASTORS. 1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference, admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under head of "Duties of Stewards."

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the Church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the or-

dinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the

difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused

unstationed Minister or Preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given in the Minutes. 9. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their succes-

sors a plan of the work of the charge.

10. Station and Circuit Stewards shall furnish the pastor with a sufficient number of Disciplines, that he may be able to present each new member with a copy, in compliance with Disciplinary law.

That no minister of this Confreence shall give his consent or assistance to building a church or parsonage on a lot that is not deeded unconditionally to an incorporated board of Methodist Protestant Trustees.

12. No minister of this Conference shall go as a loan to any church outside of the Maryland Conference unless said church is willing to con-

tribute to the Superannuated Fund of this Conference.

13. All pastors are required to submit in detail to the Board of Survey all plans their churches may have for new church buildings and parsonages, remodeling or extensive improvements, locations for buildings,

etc., for advice and counsel, before giving their consent to or proceeding with the execution of their plans. This is done that churches may have advantage of the study and experience of the conference in all such matters. Further, no church shall receive any appropriation from Conference Funds until this Board of Survey shall have reviewed their plans and passed favorably upon same.

14. All married pastors of this Conference shall be guaranteed a minimum salar yof \$1,200, and parsonage, and that where the charge either cannot or will not pay the said amount this Conference undertakes to pay out of Conference Funds the difference between the amount the charge pays and the \$1,200, except in cases where the pastors agree to serve for

less than the minimum salary to accommodate personal situations.

Regulation II. SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY. 1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship having attained

the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leader; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in division 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," of the Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher and lay member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-five years shall be eligible

as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class-leader and Sunday-School Superintendent, Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of Elder two years. And no minister shall be elected to the office of President of

the Annual Conference for more than three years in succession.

The Conference strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the removal or return of the pastor, and condemns the complimentary vote that asks for the pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. 1. The Confer-Regulation III. ence endorses the actions of the Committee in the purchase of the proper-

ty, No. 1420 Linden Ave., Baltimore, as the President's parsonage.

2. The assessment of \$4,000 shall be continued under the name of "President's Salary," to be appropriated as follows; nine-tenths of the amount raised to be paid to the President as his salary and traveling expenses. One-tenth of the amount raised to be paid to the Agent of the

President's parsonage, who shall pay out of this amount, the water rent, insurance and needful repairs of the property.

Regulation IV. RECORDS OF TRIAL CASES. In all cases of the trial of a minister, the Secretary of the Trial Committee shall make a correct record of the proceedings of the trial, and turn the same over to the Secretary of the Conference, together with a copy of th charges, and specifications, a copy of the finding, or verdict of the Committee—and all other documentary evidence used in the trial, to be kept by the Secretary among the records of the Conference.

Regulation V. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT AND SUPERNUMER-ARY REQUESTS. All requests to be left without an appointment for the ensuing year, or for a supernumerary relation, shall be referred by the Conference to the Committee on Official Relations for consideration and report thereon before such requests shall be granted.

Regulation VI. SABBATH SCHOOLS. 1. As a preparation for more efficient study and teaching of the Word, teachers' meetings should be statedly held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.

2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Discipline regulations concerning the organization of our Sabbath Schools into Foreign Missionary Societies and the taking of a collection every quarter for Foreign Missions.

3. Children's Day shall be faithfully observed by all our Sabbath Schools, and the money received on that day shall be exclusively devoted to the Children's Day offering for Foreign Missions.

Regulation VII. OUR CHURCH HOME. 1. Every charge shall elect a lady visitor for the benefit of Our Church Home, consistent with the

character of that institution.

2. The list of charges failing to meet the requirement of the Conference relative to Our Church Home shall be read at each session of the Conference.

3. The second Sunday of November of each year shall be known as "Donation Day" for Our Church Home, and all our pastors are instructed to call the attention of their congregations thereto, and an endeavor made to have donations of provisions, groceries and things needed to conduct the Home, sent to Mrs. Chas. Billingslea, Westminster, Md.

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Regulation IX. UNSTATIONED MINISTERS. The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualifications.

Regulation X. LOTTERIES. The practice of raising funds for church

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Regulation XI. MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY. The placing of morgtage upon church property for the purpose, directly, or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

Regulation XII. OBITUARIES. 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

Regulation XIII. MARRIAGES. The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

Regulation XIV. TITLES AND DEGREES. Inasmuch as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is the badge of University work and most rigid examinations—a degree which our better Colleges refuse to confer, and Universities do not confer for honor, but only for merit in advanced special studies—we feel sure no worthy institution would confer such a title for work done by correspondence, and the man who consents to bear a title so conferred subjects himself to the ridicule of scholars and involves the ministry in a charge of vanity and insincerity. Therefore, this Conference expresses its disapproval of this method of obtaining degrees, and declines to recognize in any way a title so obtained.

Regulation XV. 'UNFERMENTED WINE. The Conference recommends the use of unfermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Regulation XVI. DROPPING MEMBERS. Persons whose names are on the church register and cannot be found, or who have ceased to take an interest in the church, may be dropped from the record by a vote of

the church; provided further, that in stations these changes may be made by the Quarterly Conference.

Regulation XVII. PASTORS' MOVING EXPENSES. As the Discipline grants the Annual Conference the right to "make such regultaions as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the ministers and preachers," it is the pudgment of this Conference that the charge to which a minister or preacher is assigned should pay the moving expenses of the

incoming pastor. Regulation XVIII. CAMP-MEETINGS. 1. Camp-meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the

following conditions:-

There shall be no traffic on the Lord's Day on the camp-ground or

the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or to the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's Day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraph, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene

the foregoing regulations.

Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above,

the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

7. Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

Regulation XIX. ELECTION OF DELEGATES. 1st—In Stations. In stations the election of delegates shall be by the qualified members under the direction of the stewards and whose credentials must be signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting. The pastor shall announce the time and place of such meeting at least one Sunday before it is held, but in no case shall he preside at the election of delegates.

2nd—In Circuits. In cricuits a vote of the qualified members shall be taken by the stewards in each church on the charge, after due announcement by the pastor, for a delegate to the annual conference. The votes shall be brought in separate packages to the quarterly conference where they shall be counted. Anyone receiving a majority of all votes cast shall be declared the delegate elect, but if no one receives a majority the quarterly conference shall proceed at once to the election of a delegate. When it is necessary for the quarterly conference to elect the delegate, someone other than the pastor shall preside during the election, and whose name, with the secretary of the quarterly conference, shall appear on the credentials of the delegate.

3rd. In both stations and circuits and also at the quarterly conference all voting shall be by ballot and the election must be held at least

ten days before the session of the Annual Conference.

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